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## Big Firm Orders Worker Purge

By Ruby Cooper

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—The Stewart-Warner Corp. announced a new policy today making it mandatory that workers sign non-Communist affidavits or be fired from their jobs. The company is one of the first to use the Truman "loyalty" order and Taft-Hartley technique in industry in firings.

Announcement of the policy was quickly followed by company orders to five workers to leave the plant because they refused to sign the affidavits. A company official indicated that the workers had "10 days to think it over" or lose their jobs.

Five workers are all former shop stewards or Local leaders of the United Electrical Workers. UE was formerly the bargaining agency in the plant, which employs some 2,500 workers. The company had abruptly cancelled its contract with UE last June prior to an NLRB election also involving the AFL International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. The company had petitioned for the election in hopes of ousting UE and supplanting it with the IBEW.

UE was not listed on the ballot but nevertheless was supported with "no" votes by 886 workers to 1,016 for IBEW. Ballots of 193 workers, all adherents of UE, had been challenged and were not counted.

Failure of the company to line up a clear majority of the workers behind the  
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## Millions Hail Stalin

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### GBS Wishes Stalin 'Many More Years'

LONDON, Dec. 20 (UP).—Playwright George Bernard Shaw has sent birthday greetings to Generalissimo Joseph Stalin, who will be 70 years old tomorrow, according to the Communist newspaper Daily Worker.

The newspaper reproduced a Communist Party birthday card to Stalin wishing him "many more years in the service of progressive mankind" which was signed by Shaw.

### CP HERE SENDS GREETINGS

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By Arnold Sroog

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 20. — Six Trenton Negroes, on the eve of their second Christmas in jail on a frame-up murder charge, today reiterated their determination to be defended in their second trial by the three noted attorneys who were barred from the case last Friday. All six of the young Negro men, in an exclusive interview with the Daily Worker in Mercer County jail, stated firmly that they felt that these attorneys—O. John Rogge, William L. Patterson and Emanuel Bloch together with Solomon Golat had been largely instrumental in securing the reversal of their first conviction by the New Jersey State Supreme Court.

**Exclusive**

This deep admiration for the barred attorneys was not only expressed by the three men the attorneys defended, but also by the three other defendants who had used court-appointed attorneys in the first trial.

Two of the defendants, James McKenzie and Horace Wilson, announced their intention of rejecting their court-appointed attorneys and of asking that their defense in the second trial be conducted by the barred counsel. The sixth defendant, McKinley Forrest, stated he would retain his attorney, but wanted the four attorneys included in the case, since he felt they would help the total defense.

Forrest spoke for all defendants when he bravely told this reporter:

"You do your part out there and we'll do ours in here."

The men were interviewed in groups of two for 15 minutes at a time. They were in four-foot square cubicles, cased in steel on three sides. The fourth side was covered by three layers of steel wire mesh through which the interview was conducted.

The six men were Forrest, Collis English, James McKenzie, Ralph Cooper, James Thorpe, and Horace Wilson.

English, Cooper and Thorpe have been defended by the barred attorneys.

Speaking of Mercer County Judge Charles Hutchinson's alleged reason for barring the three attorneys from the case—that they had conducted outside activities and attacked the integrity of the court—all six men stated they believed that had it not been for these "outside activities" they would have been electrocuted by Jersey justice.

They all expressed their deepest admiration for the fight put up by the Civil Rights Congress and said clearly that this fight had saved their lives once and they wanted it continued to save their lives permanently. Said Forrest:

"I think they did the right thing in bringing the case to the people. If we don't, I don't think we can win the case the way he (Judge Hutchinson) was talking up there Friday."

Thorpe, who was standing alongside Forrest at this moment, echoed his sentiment and said firmly, "I want my lawyers, no others."

English said that if it were not for the CRC mass campaign, the anti-Negro prejudice would have operated without any hindrance. "They broke down prejudice to give us a fair trial," said English. "I will accept no court-appointed lawyer."

"I'm not going to accept Waldron (James A. Waldron, court-appointed lawyer), McKenzie said. "I want Golat

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## The TRUTH ABOUT JERUSALEM

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# Announce World Peace Prize To Honor Stalin's Birthday

## Send 'Golden Book' To Honor Stalin

PARIS, Dec. 20. (Telepress).—French intellectuals have compiled a golden book to present to Stalin in honor of his 70th birthday. The presentation will not only honor Stalin, says L'Humanite but also the city of Stalingrad for "the man and the city are symbols of the resistance of the peoples against fascist barbarism."

LONDON, Dec. 20.—Russia opened a gigantic celebration of Premier Joseph Stalin's 70th birthday tonight by announcing a new 100,000 ruble (\$20,000) "J. V. Stalin International Peace Prize." Moscow Radio, which broadcast the news, announced also that Stalin

### Magazine Cables Greetings to Stalin

Editors of Masses and Mainstream, progressive monthly, yesterday cabled congratulations to Premier Stalin on his 70th birthday. The cable was signed by Samuel Sillen, Lloyd L. Brown and Herbert Aptheker.

### 4,400 Steel Workers Still on Strike

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 20.—The CIO United Steelworkers Union said today that of the 520,000 workers who went on strike for pensions in October, 4,400 are still out.

The steel workers still on strike, the union said, are employed by 10 small firms located at scattered points from Massachusetts to Missouri.

had been awarded a second "Order of Lenin," highest Soviet decoration, in honor of his birthday tomorrow.

Moscow announced that the first Stalin peace prize would be awarded next year on Stalin's 71st birthday, and later ones on succeeding anniversaries.

The prize is to be awarded to "workers for peace" regardless of nationality and "irrespective of political, religious or racial distinctions" for "outstanding merit in the cause of the struggle against the warmongers and for the furtherance of peace."

The winner will get the 100,000-ruble prize, a diploma symbolic of the award, and a gold medal bearing Stalin's likeness.

There will be five lesser prizes. All prizes will be awarded by a special committee.

The Moscow broadcast an-

nouncing the second award of the order of Lenin to Stalin—the first was given in 1945—said:

"In connection with the 70th birthday of Comrade J. V. Stalin and taking into account the extraordinary merits in the cause of strengthening and developing the USSR, the building of communism in our country, the organization of the rout of the German Fascist invaders and the Japanese imperialists, as well as in the cause of restoration and further upswing of the national economy of the USSR in the postwar period, Comrade Joseph Vissarionovich Stalin is awarded the Order of Lenin."

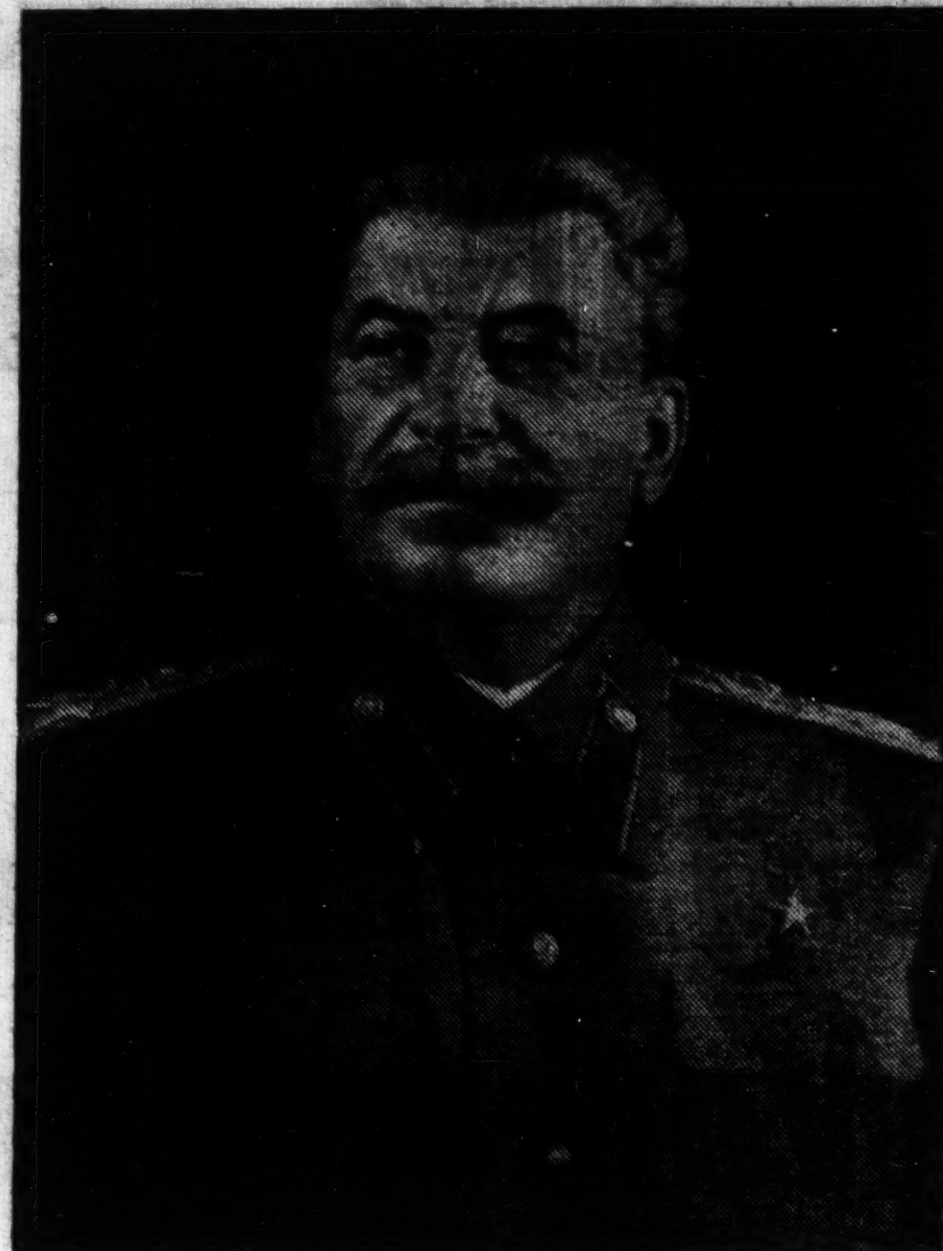
### FROM EVERYWHERE

From all over the world greetings poured in on Stalin in Moscow. Chiefs of state, workers, farmers alike hailed the 70th birthday of the great planner and builder of socialist society in the Soviet Union and the world leader of the forces of peace, democracy and socialism.

Railroad trains, airplanes, horse-drawn carts converged on the Soviet Union's capital bearing gifts for the Premier of the USSR.

In Moscow itself, a huge reception is planned for tomorrow night at which leaders of the people's democracies, of the Chinese People's Republic, of the forces of peace, democracy and socialism

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PREMIER JOSEPH STALIN

## INLAND STEEL LOCAL URGES REOPENING OF WAGE DEMAND

Special to the Daily Worker

GARY, Ind., Dec. 20.—Inland Steel Local No. 1010, in a well-attended meeting with all stewards present, voted unanimously to wire Philip Murray urging reopening of the wage demand to all steel companies in view of the increase in steel prices by those companies.

# Communist Party Here Greet Stalin

A telegram greeting Soviet Premier Joseph Stalin on the occasion of his 70th birthday was sent yesterday by the national committee of the Communist Party of the United States. The telegram, signed by William Z. Foster, chairman, and Eugene Dennis, general secretary, is as follows:

Joseph Stalin  
Moscow, U.S.S.R.

Dear Comrade Stalin,

On your 70th birthday the National Committee of the Communist Party, USA, voicing the sentiments of the advanced workers and progressive-minded Americans, sends you heartiest congratulations and warmest greetings. Like the Communists and other true partisans of peace, democracy and progress in all lands, we hail your more than 50 years of sterling leadership in the interest of the international working class and humanity.

In their ardent quest for the road to peace, ever larger numbers of our fellow Americans who hate war and fascism understand the supreme need for American-Soviet cooperation and amity. Growing millions see in the Socialist Soviet Union, advancing under the genius of your leadership, the chief bulwark and consistent champion of peace, national freedom and the friendship of nations.

The patient and resolute efforts of the Soviet Union under your guidance to build a common front against the fascist aggressor before the die was cast for World War II are not forgotten. The American people did not escape paying a price for the treasonous policy of the Munich men and their Social-Democratic and labor-reformist helpmates.

Failure to achieve collective security brought war both to the USSR and to the USA. Our people are forever indebted to your peerless strategy and leadership, which enabled the armed forces of the Soviet Union to strike the decisive blows against the common enemy and thus saved civilization.

PATRIOTIC AMERICANS will never cease to honor the heroes of Stalingrad, Moscow and Leningrad. In so doing, Americans honor the whole Soviet people, and you, their leader, with whom we were allied and without whose leading role and matchless efforts the defeat of Hitlerism and Japanese militarism could not have been accomplished.

Increasing numbers of Americans are coming to understand that the liberation of Europe and Asia was possible because the USSR is a Socialist country. It has changed man's age-old dream of freedom into a living reality. It has abolished the exploitation of man by man and nation by nation, embodying in the Constitution which bears your name true democracy of, by and for the people.

Victory in World War II was achieved because the historic Five-Year Plans, organized and resolutely fulfilled at your initiative and under your guidance, prepared the Soviet Union for the epic test of the Great Patriotic War despite the efforts of internal and external enemies to disrupt them. This victory was possible because the multi-national peoples of the USSR are united in the bonds of true brotherhood.

Victory was guaranteed because the Soviet people and their state are guided by the Great Bolshevik Party, built by you and Comrade Lenin, and, since Lenin's death, continuing under your leadership to guide itself by the principles of Marxism-Leninism which you have safeguarded and enriched.

THE DEFEAT of the fascist Axis brought into being new opportunities for attaining a long-term peace and advancing social progress. But these opportunities could only be realized through a concerted effort to fulfill the agreements of Yalta and Potsdam, and continue in the postwar period the cooperation of the victorious anti-Axis coalition.

Contrary to the interests and desires of our people, Wall Street and its bipartisan political spokesmen repudiated these sacred commitments entered into by our government. Under a Hitler-like anti-Soviet and anti-Communist smokescreen, the American imperialists launched their predatory and aggressive Truman Doctrine, Marshall Plan and North Atlantic Pact. Driving at world domination, and preparing for a new world war, they also by-pass the United Nations or use it to increase international tension.

Wall Street's "cold war," supported by the servile misleaders of labor, is undermining the living standards of the American people, jeopardizing the trade unions, and threatening to destroy all democratic rights.

Undaunted by the threats of the war instigators, the USSR steadfastly pursues its Stalinist peace policy and promotes cooperation with all who strive for peace. And the mighty world camp of peace, democracy and socialism headed by the Soviet Union, daily becomes more powerful and is destined to triumph.

In our country, too, the organized peace forces, among the workers, the Negro people, men and women of science and culture, are growing and will continue to grow in unison with the peace forces of the world. By waging a most active, determined and united struggle for peace, the people can frustrate the designs of the imperialist warmakers and the criminal intrigues of their Titoite agents and reactionary social democratic lackeys.

The real America of the people, despite financiers and militarists, fervently hopes for the restoration of American-Soviet friendship achieved by you and President Roosevelt.

YOUR REPEATED declarations that the peaceful cooperation of capitalist and socialist states is both possible and desirable have helped the American people to see that another world war is not inevitable. They favor acceptance by our government of your proposals for a Pact of Peace, for demilitarization and democratizing Germany and Japan, for lessening the armaments burden and the danger of war by outlawing the atom bomb and adopting a program of universal disarmament.

Faced with the developing economic crisis, the American people envy and admire the Soviet Union's harnessing of atomic energy for peaceful construction; and they favor proposals to establish normal trade relations with the USSR, the Eastern Peoples Democracies and Liberated China.

The Soviet Union's support for the national liberation struggles of the Chinese and all colonial peoples, and its efforts to safeguard the sovereignty of all nations, are winning it new friends among the American people, Negro and white. All progressive Americans rejoice in the historic victory of the Chinese people after their long years of struggle against feudal reaction and imperialist intervention. They hail the bonds of friendship and peaceful cooperation established between the USSR and the new Chinese People's Republic.

With full confidence in the American working class and people, the Communist Party of the USA exerts every effort to assure that by their united action they will check and help defeat the fascist-minded monopolists and warmongers. As this united action grows in influence and scope, it will bring its full weight to bear for the achievement of an American-Soviet pact of peace and friendship—the cornerstone for world peace.

Long life to you, Comrade Stalin, and to your great and enduring contributions to world peace, democracy and Socialism.



# The TRUTH ABOUT JERUSALEM

By  
MOSES  
MILLER

## I. Abdullah's Anglo-American Friends

Towards the end of 1947 and the early months of 1948, when Jews were battling to establish Israel, most people had no difficulty in identifying the enemy. But today the enemy has to a considerable extent succeeded in sowing confusion and in distorting realities. The result is that many view the Jerusalem issue in a vacuum and fail to see it as an inextricable part of the larger problem of Israel as a whole.

This failure to see the larger problem jeopardizes Jewish rights in Jerusalem as well as the integrity and independence of all of Israel. It blinds people to the real danger of Jewish aspirations inherent in Anglo-American attempts to legalize Abdullah's occupation of the Arab sector of Palestine.

A review of American policy on the Palestine question readily shows that two major objectives govern the general outlines of American ruling circle strategy. First, strategic and military interests, and, secondly, oil. While America and Britain were and are united in their military and strategic

interests, they have for some time been competitors in the race for oil and economic position.

### BRITISH STRATEGY

So long as Britain was the dominant influence in the Middle East, it could continue to appear as the friend of the Arabs at one moment, of the Jewish people at the next. But as the United States forced Britain out of one position after another and as the struggles for independence and national liberation became more intense, Britain was forced openly to repudiate all promises to the Jews and to become bound ever more closely with Arab reactionaries. Through its Arab puppets, Britain hoped to cling to its hold on the Middle East.

Britain was forced to place the whole question of Palestine in the lap of the UN after an unsuccessful attempt in 1946 and 1947 to get America to assume joint responsibility for the subjugation of Palestine. Through the UN, Britain hoped to force America to join with it in a solution that would insure joint control.

### PARTITION DECISION

However, the forthright position of the Soviet Union and the new democracies and the pressure of world democratic opinion forced the United States to vote for the historic decision of Nov.

29, 1947, for the creation of two independent states—Jewish and Arab—in Palestine. No doubt American ruling circles felt that they could thus weaken Britain's position and get even greater concessions to America, and at the same time to insure the gradual destruction of the Nov. 29, 1947, decision.

The day after this historic decision was arrived at, both America and Britain began to intrigue to prevent its realization. The five-nation commission established to implement the partition decision was never even allowed by Britain to set foot in Palestine. The British rulers deliberately set about to create chaos and civil war. Their trump card was—the Transjordan army and King Abdullah.

### IMPERIALIST SABOTAGE

The ensuing struggle is too well known to need repetition. But what we dare not forget are the sabotage and efforts of the imperialist world, including the rulers of America, to prevent the Jewish community of Palestine from defending itself.

One of the most disgusting aspects of the whole tragic farce enacted in the UN during this period was the air of innocence assumed by British spokes-

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## Increase Relief 25% Council Hearing Urged

By Michael Singer

Instead of an \$11,000,000 relief cut for 320,000 poor and helpless citizens, the Welfare Department should increase allowances by 25 percent, the City Council City Affairs Committee was told at a hearing yesterday on a resolution by Louis P. Goldberg, Brooklyn Liberal, calling for rescinding the welfare slash effective Jan. 16. The meeting, originally scheduled to be a "private" session, was forced into the open by public protests against the cuts, which range from \$2 to \$10 a month and in some cases reduces home relief allotments by \$70 a month for a family of five children.

The hearing was marked by strenuous efforts by the Democrats on the committee to defend Welfare Commissioner Raymond M. Hilliard's starvation budget. Hilliard tried to uphold his relief cuts as "better than it was a year ago" and the "best budget in the United States," but aware of the hostility of the jammed chamber then passed the buck to the State Department of Social Welfare.

Hilliard said his policy was "predicated" on a 5 percent drop in living costs and then submitted a letter from Peter Kaius, Deputy Commissioner of the State Dept on Social Welfare, which "insisted" on the relief reductions.

He fidgeted uncomfortably later when speakers denounced his con-

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## Limit Mines to 2 Days a Week

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 20 (UP).—Coal production in mines of hold-out operators will be limited to two days, instead of three, for the next two weeks, a United Mine Workers official said today.

James Mark, president of UMW District 2 in Central Pennsylvania, said the mines will be closed on Christmas and New Years and will work only Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mark said six operators, with seven mines producing 300,000 tons annually in his district, have agreed to the UMW contract.

## Mayor O'Dwyer Marries Sloan

STUART, Fla., Dec. 20.—Mayor William O'Dwyer of New York and fashion model Sloan Simpson were married today at St. Joseph's Catholic Church here.

## Fred Estes Sentenced; Refused to Be Stoolie

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 20.—Fred Estes, Communist Party organizer for Dallas, was sentenced yesterday by Judge Atwell to 30 days in jail and a \$100 fine for refusing to serve as an informer at an Immigration Service hearing. Bail was set at \$1,000. An appeal was filed by Sam Barbara, Dallas attorney, who is assisted by Carol King, attorney for the Committee for the Protection of the Foreign Born.

Judge Atwell brushed aside Estes' argument against self-incrimination, which was based on the many indictments and proceedings against Communists.

In Houston, James J. Green, Texas secretary of the Communist Party, was ordered to appear

Thursday on contempt charges filed by the Federal district attorney, who asks for indefinite jailing of Green until he "talks" at an Immigration Service deportation hearing.

Ruth Koenig and one other person have been ordered by the court to appear and show cause why they should not be ordered to "testify."

Three others in Houston, including Green's wife, are expected to receive similar "show cause" orders.

## UE Forces NLRB to Retract Secret Edict

By Mel Fiske

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The United Electrical Workers union today forced National Labor Relations Board general counsel Robert Denham to retract his secret orders which told NLRB regional director to bar UE evidence. Haled into federal court here by

the UE, Denham sent a representative who admitted the secret ruling of Dec. 6 and announced an order rescinding it, rather than defend it before Judge Charles F. McLaughlin. After his announcement, UE president Albert Fitzgerald wired President Truman and demanded Denham's immediate dismissal and an investigation of the Taft-Hartley board.

UE international representative Joseph Dermody and UE attorney David Scribner, who sought to get the five-man NLRB to rescind Denham's ruling before taking the case to court Friday, charged Denham colluded with CIO officials and employers in drawing up his secret orders.

"We caught Denham redhanded in a conspiracy against the UE," Scribner told newsmen after the victory. He charged that the NLRB had been remiss in its duties by dismissing UE's charges and denying its motion to overrule Denham. "It took a court to force the board to take action against Denham," Scribner declared.

### CHANGED MINDS

Retraction of the secret orders came after UE had slapped subpoenas on Denham and NLRB Chairman Paul Herzog to appear in court this morning with all NLRB records applying to UE.

"They apparently changed their minds after getting the subpoenas," Scribner said, inferring the two top NLRB officials did not want to take the witness stand in court to explain their actions.

Scribner and Dermody said Denham's secret orders sent to all NLRB regional directors informed them that UE's present contracts which run to May 1, 1950 would be no bar to NLRB elections to determine bargaining representatives and that evidence by UE to the contrary was unacceptable.

The order was handed down, Scribner said, as "that illegitimate child of the CIO—imitation UE"—and employers petitioned for elections in plants presently under UE contracts. Westinghouse Corp., with 75,000 employees and Gen-

eral Electric with 125,000 had asked the NLRB for elections.

The IUE, headed by James Carey, CIO secretary, filed identical petitions, but under another of Denham's rulings, did not have to show a single membership card to back up its application for bargaining representative. Other plants in which elections are sought bring the total number of workers involved to an estimated 300,000. "Denham's rule was established for UE contracts only," Scribner explained. He said that the rule sought to upset existing contracts, and not to speed up elections as claimed by Carey's IUE.

### NO CONTRACTS

The IUE has no contracts, Scribner said, and therefore has no

concern for contracts. "UE is just trying to create chaos in the industry and jeopardize the gains made by UE members," Scribner added.

Scribner said UE is not opposed to elections in any of the plants in which elections are now being sought. He reiterated UE's earlier proposal for elections on March 15 in Westinghouse plants. The NLRB and IUE, he said, have refused to agree to consent elections at any time.

Fitzgerald, in his statement issued here, said "UE carried the fight to the courts against Denham and the board because UE refuses to permit the companies, the company unionists or the Taft-Hartley

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## Memo to the Reader

By ALAN MAX  
Managing Editor

Now the truth is coming out. Seems that it really wasn't Brooklyn that won the first hold on the subscription plaque last week—it was a PART of Brooklyn. Out of some 800 Worker subs, the Kings Highway region alone accounted for about 600. (We pause for a moment of bowing heads in Brownsville, Flatbush, Boro Park and Williamsburg.)

Thirty-five brigadiers from that fast-moving Kings Highway region were given a reception Monday night at the Daily Worker offices. Johnny Gates and Joe Roberts took them through the printing plant and the editorial offices. They were served refreshments and had their pictures taken by Pete, who developed and printed it so fast that they were able to take copies home with them.

In the composing room, the linotypers set up their names for them in type and, since the letters show up backwards, there is little that can be done with them unless they are held up to a mirror.

Most interesting comment of the brigadiers was that they never before saw anything like the managing editor's office and it better be painted, but fast. When I asked Joe Roberts how about it, he gave me an answer that took me completely by surprise. "Increased circulation might make it possible," he said generously.

### Today's POINT of ORDER

Superintendent of Schools Jansen insists that the teacher shortage in this city is a thing of the past. According to Jansen's arithmetic, 1 teacher plus 1 teacher equals 3 teachers.



# Harry Bridges' Attorney Tells Court He Has Proof 2 Key Prosecution Witnesses Lied

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—Defense attorney Vincent Hallinan today accused two key prosecution witnesses of perjury at the trial of CIO longshore union leader Harry Bridges. He demanded they be held in custody until he could prove his charge that they lied. Hallinan charged

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that FBI stoolpigeon Manning R. Johnson, New York and Paul Crouch, Miami, lied when they testified Bridges attended a national convention of the Communist Party in New York on June 27, 1936.

"Bridges was in Stockton, Calif.," Hallinan declared. "If Your Honor will call Bridges and six other witnesses to the stand, I can prove it."

District Judge George B. Harris made no immediate ruling on Hallinan's plea, but ordered the jury taken from the courtroom while the matter was discussed.

Bridges and two other officers of the CIO International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union are accused of perjury and conspiracy as the result of Bridges' sworn testimony at his naturalization hearing in 1945 that he was not and never had been a Communist.

Both Crouch, who was on the stand today in his fourth straight day of cross-examination, and Johnson had claimed Bridges attended



HARRY BRIDGES

the 1936 Communist Party convention.

"We can show conclusively these men testified falsely," Hallinan said, despite repeated objections by F. Joseph Donohue, prosecution attorney.

## Millions Celebrate Stalin's Birthday

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from all over the world will celebrate Stalin's birthday.

Among the greetings was one from Mao Tse-Tung, president of the 450,000,000 people Chinese Peoples Republic. Another was from Jawaharal Nehru, head of India's 296,000,000 people.

From Czechoslovakia came a birthday message containing 9,000-000 signatures.

Moscow radio started broadcasting birthday articles this evening.

### GREAT DATE

Pravda, the organ of the Soviet Communist Party, called the birthday "that great date in the history of mankind" and Stalin "the father of the working people of the world."

"Messages of greeting to our own Stalin, countless as snowflakes in a snowstorm, are flying in December into snow-bound Moscow from all over the world," Pravda said.

"On my own behalf and on behalf of my country I send Your Excellency on your birthday our cordial wishes for your long life," said Nehru, in a message announced in New Delhi.

Mao Tse-Tung, in a message broadcast by the Peking radio, wished Stalin "heartfelt greetings" and expressed hope for greater flourishing of "the fortress of world peace and democracy," the Soviet Union.

### SHAW GREETINGS

The Daily Worker of London published a message by George Bernard Shaw wishing Stalin "many more years in the service of progressive mankind."

Moscow radio announced that busts of Stalin had been put on 38 of the highest mountain peaks of central Asia, including the tallest—24,890 feet—by special teams of mountain climbers.

Czechoslovakia named its highest mountain "Mt. Stalin."

Moscow radio broadcast a message by a Negro engineer, Robert Robinson, who won an output contest in the Moscow Ball Bearing Works in honor of the birthday.

"In the United States the Negro is a slave," the message said. "Whenever I applied for a job at

the Ford factory in Detroit I was told I was a Negro and my place was sweeping the floors. Now I am a Soviet citizen and infinitely proud of it. I hail the Soviet Union and the great and beloved Stalin."

Two-thirds or more of the space in all newspapers are being devoted to Stalin. Scientists, writers, artists and composers of note are among the contributors.

It was announced that the Bulgarian seaport of Varna had been renamed "Stalin."

Foreign diplomatic envoys visited Vishinsky to convey the felicitations of their governments.

Workers' delegations arrive steadily from abroad. Already here are delegations representing Austria, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Germany, Korea, Poland and Mongolia.

Mass meetings marking the anniversary were held today and this evening in factories, offices and schools.

Moscow, and cities and villages all over the vast Soviet Union,

## Inwood, Heights Win Sub Prizes

Inwood and Heights sections of the Washington Heights region of the Communist Party received the First Prize Banners last Sunday after a special mobilization the New York County on subscriptions to The Worker. The prize was awarded at a later afternoon party where the results were gathered together and announced.

Some 350 persons, including members of industrial sections, participated. Awards were presented on a three-way competition of press, recruiting and registration.

Inwood obtained 47 subs out of a quota of 120 or 39 percent; 14 percent of its recruits and 89 percent registered. Heights obtained 57 subs of 160, or 39 percent; 12 percent of its recruits and 91 percent registered.

Second prize winner was Fifth A.D. North with 65 subs out of 175, or 37 percent; 23 percent of

## Congress Full of Crooks, People Tell Rep. Burdick

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 (UP).—The trouble with Congress, according to Rep. Usher L. Burdick (R-ND) is that the people think it is filled with crooks.

The time has come, he told a reporter today, for members of Congress to examine their conduct and make sure it is above reproach. Burdick, a 70-year-old veteran of 11 years in the House, said that for many years Congressmen "quite generally" have padded their payrolls with people who do not work for them or the government.

He said he could not say whether such payroll padding is "illegal," but he was sure "the people don't like it."

"They've come to think we're all crooks," he added.

Two former House members recently went to jail — J. Parnell Thomas for padding his payroll and accepting salary kickbacks, and Andrew J. May for taking a bribe during the war as chairman of the old Military Affairs Committee.

Burdick said that as a result of those two cases, and "the catching of others in market gambling transaction of inside information," many persons in his district have come to distrust the entire government.

He said that during a recent visit to North Dakota he frequently was asked: "Are all members of Congress crooked? Have all the crooks been locked up, or are there more at large?"

## UN Group Raps Israel On Jerusalem Issue

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., Dec. 20 (UP).—The United Nations Trusteeship Council passed a vote of censure today against Israel for removing certain of its offices to Jerusalem

in defiance of UN plans to internationalize the Holy City and asked the Israeli government to drop its plans for making Jerusalem the country's capital.

By a vote of 5 to 0, with seven countries — including the United

States, Britain and Russia—abstaining, the council resolved that Israel's action in designating Jerusalem as its capital "ignores and is incompatible with" the resolution for an international regime approved by the General Assembly on Dec. 9.

Brig. Gen. Carlos P. Romulo, President of the United Nations General Assembly, called upon the big six atomic powers today to agree to "interim prohibition or control" of atomic weapons, pending final world agreement on regulation of the atom. He did this in a letter to the experts of the Big Five powers and Canada, who resumed their secret talks today after a month's lay-off while the General Assembly debated the atomic question.

were decorated festively with portraits, banners and flags in celebration of Stalin's birthday.

A greeting came from Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion of Israel:

"Please accept congratulations and best wishes, personal as well as from the government and people of Israel."

"May long life and good health be granted to you, and success in all your undertakings for the economic, cultural and social progress of your country and international co-operation in the cause of peace."

### 2nd Milestone In Sub Drive

The second milestone for the plaque in the citywide subscription contest will take place tonight at Webster Hall. Brooklyn County won the first milestone last week.

recruits and 83 percent registered.

The food industrial section won the third prize. As the top industrial section in the drive, it has to date obtained 64 subs out of 200, or 32 percent, and 29 percent of its recruiting quota.

Sections with the highest sub attainments are:

Fifth A. D. South which leads all sections with 61 subs out of a quota of 125, or 49 percent of its quota.

lem Region with 113 out of 250, or 46 percent.

Lower Manhattan West with 102 out of 250, or 42 percent.

Twenty-eight copies of the Ten Classics of Marxism and Leninism were awarded to the top sub-getters.

A pre-Xmas mobilization is scheduled for Thursday and pre-New Year party has been set for Thursday, Dec. 29, for region, section leaders, pace setters and brigadiers. A pace setter is one who pledges at 50 subs and a brigadier is pledged for 12, one for each of the 12 top Communist leaders.

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# The TRUTH ABOUT JERUSALEM

By  
MOSES  
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## I. Abdullah's Anglo-American Friends

Towards the end of 1947 and the early months of 1948, when Jews were battling to establish Israel, most people had no difficulty in identifying the enemy. But today the enemy has to a considerable extent succeeded in sowing confusion and in distorting realities. The result is that many view the Jerusalem issue in a vacuum and fail to see it as an inextricable part of the larger problem of Israel as a whole.

This failure to see the larger problem jeopardizes Jewish rights in Jerusalem as well as the integrity and independence of all of Israel. It blinds people to the real danger of Jewish aspirations inherent in Anglo-American attempts to legalize Abdullah's occupation of the Arab sector of Palestine.

A review of American policy on the Palestine question readily shows that two major objectives govern the general outlines of American ruling circle strategy. First, strategic and military interests, and, secondly, oil. While America and Britain were and are united in their military and strategic

interests, they have for some time been competitors in the race for oil and economic position.

### BRITISH STRATEGY

So long as Britain was the dominant influence in the Middle East, it could continue to appear as the friend of the Arabs at one moment, of the Jewish people at the next. But as the United States forced Britain out of one position after another and as the struggles for independence and national liberation became more intense, Britain was forced openly to repudiate all promises to the Jews and to become bound ever more closely with Arab reactionaries. Through its Arab puppets, Britain hoped to cling to its hold on the Middle East.

Britain was forced to place the whole question of Palestine in the lap of the UN after an unsuccessful attempt in 1946 and 1947 to get America to assume joint responsibility for the subjugation of Palestine. Through the UN, Britain hoped to force America to join with it in a solution that would insure joint control.

### PARTITION DECISION

However, the forthright position of the Soviet Union and the new democracies and the pressure of world democratic opinion forced the United States to vote for the historic decision of Nov.

29, 1947, for the creation of two independent states—Jewish and Arab—in Palestine. No doubt American ruling circles felt that they could thus weaken Britain's position and get even greater concessions to America, and at the same time to insure the gradual destruction of the Nov. 29, 1947, decision.

The day after this historic decision was arrived at, both both America and Britain began to intrigue to prevent its realization. The five-nation commission established to implement the partition decision was never even allowed by Britain to set foot in Palestine. The British rulers deliberately set about to create chaos and civil war. Their trump card was—the Transjordan army and King Abdullah.

### IMPERIALIST SABOTAGE

The ensuing struggle is too well known to need repetition. But what we dare not forget are the sabotage and efforts of the imperialist world, including the rulers of America, to prevent the Jewish community of Palestine from defending itself.

One of the most disgusting aspects of the whole tragic farce enacted in the UN during this period was the air of innocence assumed by British spokes-

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## Increase Relief 25% Council Hearing Urged

By Michael Singer

Instead of an \$11,000,000 relief cut for 320,000 poor and helpless citizens, the Welfare Department should increase allowances by 25 percent, the City Council City Affairs Committee was told at a hearing yesterday on a resolution by Louis P. Goldberg, Brooklyn Liberal, calling for rescinding the welfare slash effective Jan. 16. The meeting, originally scheduled to be a "private" session, was forced into the open by public protests against the cuts, which range from \$2 to \$10 a month and in some cases reduces home relief allotments by \$70 a month for a family of five children.

The hearing was marked by strenuous efforts by the Democrats on the committee to defend Welfare Commissioner Raymond M. Hilliard's starvation budget. Hilliard tried to uphold his relief cuts as "better than it was a year ago" and the "best budget in the United States," but aware of the hostility of the jammed chamber then passed the buck to the State Department of Social Welfare.

Hilliard said his policy was "predicated" on a 5 percent drop in living costs and then submitted a letter from Peter Kaius, Deputy Commissioner of the State Dept on Social Welfare, which "insisted" on the relief reductions.

He fidgeted uncomfortably later when speakers denounced his con-

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## Limit Mines to 2 Days a Week

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 20 (UP).—Coal production in mines of hold-out operators will be limited to two days, instead of three, for the next two weeks, a United Mine Workers official said today.

James Mark, president of UMW District 2 in Central Pennsylvania, said the mines will be closed on Christmas and New Years and will work only Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mark said six operators, with seven mines producing 300,000 tons annually in his district, have agreed to the UMW contract.

## Mayor O'Dwyer Marries Sloan

STUART, Fla., Dec. 20.—Mayor William O'Dwyer of New York and fashion model Sloan Simpson were married today at St. Joseph's Catholic Church here.

## Fred Estes Sentenced; Refused to Be Stoolie

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 20.—Fred Estes, Communist Party organizer for Dallas, was sentenced yesterday by Judge Atwell to 30 days in jail and a \$100 fine for refusing to serve as an informer at an Immigration Service hearing. Bail was set at \$1,000. An appeal was filed by Sam Barbara, Dallas attorney, who is assisted by Carol King, attorney for the Committee for the Protection of the Foreign Born.

Judge Atwell brushed aside Estes' argument against self-incrimination, which was based on the many indictments and proceedings against Communists.

In Houston, James J. Green, Texas secretary of the Communist Party, was ordered to appear

Thursday on contempt charges filed by the Federal district attorney, who asks for indefinite jailing of Green until he "talks" at an Immigration Service deportation hearing.

Ruth Koenig and one other person have been ordered by the court to appear and show cause why they should not be ordered to "testify."

Three others in Houston, including Green's wife, are expected to receive similar "show cause" orders.

## UE Forces NLRB to Retract Secret Edict

By Mel Fiske

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The United Electrical Workers union today forced National Labor Relations Board general counsel Robert Denham to retract his secret orders which told NLRB regional director to bar UE evidence. Haled into federal court here by

the UE, Denham sent a representative who admitted the secret ruling of Dec. 6 and announced an order rescinding it, rather than defend it before Judge Charles F. McLaughlin. After his announcement, UE president Albert Fitzgerald wired President Truman and demanded Denham's immediate dismissal and an investigation of the Taft-Hartley board.

UE international representative Joseph Dermody and UE attorney David Scribner, who sought to get the five-man NLRB to rescind Denham's ruling before taking the case to court Friday, charged Denham colluded with CIO officials and employers in drawing up his secret orders.

"We caught Denham redhanded in a conspiracy against the UE," Scribner told newsmen after the victory. He charged that the NLRB had been remiss in its duties by dismissing UE's charges and denying its motion to overrule Denham. "It took a court to force the board to take action against Denham," Scribner declared.

### CHANGED MINDS

Retraction of the secret orders came after UE had slapped subpoenas on Denham and NLRB Chairman Paul Herzog to appear in court this morning with all NLRB records applying to UE.

"They apparently changed their minds after getting the subpoenas," Scribner said, inferring the two top NLRB officials did not want to take the witness stand in court to explain their actions.

Scribner and Dermody said Denham's secret orders sent to all NLRB regional directors informed them that UE's present contracts which run to May 1, 1950 would be no bar to NLRB elections to determine bargaining representatives and that evidence by UE to the contrary was unacceptable.

The order was handed down, Scribner said, as "that illegitimate child of the CIO—imitation UE" and employers petitioned for elections in plants presently under UE contracts. Westinghouse Corp., with 75,000 employees and Gen-

eral Electric with 125,000 had asked the NLRB for elections.

The IUE, headed by James Carey, CIO secretary, filed identical petitions, but under another of Denham's rulings, did not have to show a single membership card to back up its application for bargaining representative. Other plants in which elections are sought bring the total number of workers involved to an estimated 300,000.

### NO CONTRACTS

The IUE has no contracts, Scribner said, and therefore has no

concern for contracts. "UE is just trying to create chaos in the industry and jeopardize the gains made by UE members," Scribner added.

Scribner said UE is not opposed to elections in any of the plants in which elections are now being sought. He reiterated UE's earlier proposal for elections on March 15 in Westinghouse plants. The NLRB and IUE, he said, have refused to agree to consent elections at any time.

Fitzgerald, in his statement issued here, said "UE carried the fight to the courts against Denham and the board because UE refuses to permit the companies, the company unionists or the Taft-Hartley

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## Memo to the Reader

By ALAN MAX  
Managing Editor

Now the truth is coming out. Seems that it really wasn't Brooklyn that won the first hold on the subscription plaque last week—it was a PART of Brooklyn. Out of some 800 Worker subs, the Kings Highway region alone accounted for about 600. (We pause for a moment of bowing heads in Brownsville, Flatbush, Boro Park and Williamsburg.)

Thirty-five brigadiers from that fast-moving Kings Highway region were given a reception Monday night at the Daily Worker offices. Johnny Gates and Joe Roberts took them through the printing plant and the editorial offices. They were served refreshments and had their pictures taken by Pete, who developed and printed it so fast that they were able to take copies home with them.

In the composing room, the linotypers set up their names for them in type and, since the letters show up backwards, there is little that can be done with them unless they are held up to a mirror.

Most interesting comment of the brigadiers was that they never before saw anything like the managing editor's office and it better be painted, but fast. When I asked Joe Roberts how about it, he gave me an answer that took me completely by surprise. "Increased circulation might make it possible," he said generously.

## Today's POINT of ORDER

Superintendent of Schools Jansen insists that the teacher shortage in this city is a thing of the past. According to Jansen's arithmetic, 1 teacher plus 1 teacher equals 3 teachers.



# Speedup Costs Ford Vet His One Good Arm

Special to the Daily Worker

DEARBORN, Dec. 20.—Motor Building workers in the Ford Rouge plant will never forget the painful cry for help that came

from Sam Gallizia on the third valve seating machine last Thursday. In front of their eyes was enacted the grim drama of a faulty machine, the whip-cracking speed-up — and the broken bones and spilled blood of a fellow-worker.

For five horrible minutes Sam had to be supported while the machine was backed out to extricate his arm, which had been pulled into the machine by a motor block. When the block was finally backed out, the dread fear that was on everybody's mind was borne out:

Sam's left hand was barely hanging on.

How did it happen? The answer was given by Paul Boating, Motor Building Bargaining Committee member of Ford Local 600, who

last week said in a leaflet distributed to Motor building workers: **BLAMES SPEEDUP**

"The details are the same as in most industrial accidents: faulty machine performance and speed-up which are taking an increasing toll of terrible and bloody accidents."

In Sam's case, motor blocks came toward him on a long conveyor. One block had gone into the machine so fast that it had stopped past the locating pin. As Sam tried to locate it properly, the next block came rushing up toward him, caught his arm, and pulled it in the machine.

To the Ford Motor Co. it was just another accident. In the monthly statistics of the State Department of Labor it was just another anonymous number in a long

list of accident report figures. But — as Boating puts it:

"For the workers who saw Sam's blood gushing out—for them the feeling was close. It was written in their eyes: this time it's Sam's hand, tomorrow it's us."

Now 53 years old, Sam was born in Reggio Calabria, Italy. Coming out of the first World War with a crippled right arm, Sam sought to escape the postwar depression and rising fascism in Italy by coming to America.

He came to Detroit and the Ford Rouge plant. He spent the next 25 years between layoffs at factory.

## HELPED BUILD UAW

Sam is a proud veteran of Ford Local 600.

In 1946, at the age of 50, Sam

took his hard-earned life savings of \$6,000 and returned to the old country. To a few close friends he confided he hoped to get married and settle down to a little better life in his declining years.

The Marshall Plan had brought chronic unemployment to Italy. Then a fast-talking banker gave him counterfeit lire in exchange for his savings.

In two months his dream of "settling down" was shattered. Sam returned to the Rouge as a new worker.

Then last Thursday the mad cry for "production" added the crowning blow of injuring his left hand.

When Henry Ford II sends out his Christmas cards to his "happy family in the Rouge" next week the workers in the Motor Building will be thinking of Sam Gallizia.

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## Demand Jury Probe Chicago Racist Violence

Special to the Daily Worker

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—A demand for a special Grand Jury investigation of mob violence and prosecution of racist mobsters was voted here unanimously by 300 participants in a reconvened session of the Conference to End Mob Violence in Chicago.

The decision to press for a Grand Jury investigation will be acted on, it was decided, "if vigorous prosecution of hoodlums arrested in Englewood is not immediately forthcoming from the State's Attorney's office."

The Englewood community was the scene of the week-long mob violence unleashed at the home of Aaron Bindman, Jewish war vet and CIO Warehouse Union official, after Negroes visited his home.

### WIDE BASIS

Every major Negro organization and most of the big city-wide groups are participating in the conference, whose chairman is Sidney Williams, executive secretary of the Chicago Urban League.

A report by Sidney Jones, Jr., Legal Committee chairman and also head of the NAACP Legal Redress Committee, charged that State's Attorney John Boyle, a Democrat, was seeking to have the arrested victims and the arrested mobsters dealt with alike by the courts.

Williams read to the conference a mimeographed, unsigned sheet titled "The Alarm Clock" which is being circulated in areas where racist outbreaks have developed. The publication threatened violent action against homeowners selling houses to Negroes.

### CITE ANTI-HATE LAW

The race-inciting sheet is to be presented to City Corporation Counsel Ben Adamowski with the demand that investigations and prosecutions be made of the racist sponsors under the Anti-Hate Ordinance adopted by the City Council in 1947 but never enforced.

Opening the conference, Williams said, "You should know that attacks have been leveled against us. Some persons in high places have declared that this trouble would not exist if Negroes stayed where they belong." Others have charged us with seeking to usurp the role of existing organizations created to deal with the problem of Negro rights.

The latter reference was explained later by Williams as directed at CIO Regional Director Michael Mann and others who have sought to block a mass movement against mob violence.

Russell Lasley, Negro international vice-president, CIO United Packinghouse Workers, declared,

"The CIO has fallen victim to the old whitewash formula of yelling 'Communist' rather than face its duties in the fight against discrimination and mob violence."

### FIRST-HAND REPORT

A shocking first-hand report was given the conference by Thomas Phillips, Negro, whose home in the Park Manor area had been bombed for the fourth time a few days before.

He asserted that police had failed to respond to his call for protection after each of the first three attacks. "This time," he stated, "I told a member of the Commission on Human Relations that I was ready to protect myself, since the police evidently were not."

Shortly after this conversation, Phillips asserted, Police Commissioner Prendergast personally paid him a visit, anxious to know "if I meant what I said to the Commission."

After affirming the conversation, Phillips said he was told by the Police Commissioner not "to take the law in your hands."

He told the Conference he had given this reply: "Mr. Commissioner, you are supposed to be against murder, but you're making a murderer out of me. If that's the only way I can defend myself, I have no alternative."

After this talk with Prendergast, the Negro added, his home was given a police guard for the first time.

## Blacklist Charge Against CG Aired

Charges against the U. S. Coast Guard for alleged blacklisting of radio operators go into a preliminary hearing tomorrow in Washington. The case grew out of Public Law 525, under which, it is charged, the ship-owners fingered "undesirables," that is, militant union men, and the CG has refused either to issue a new license or to renew an old one.

A campaign for support and funds has been launched by the Seamen's Committee to Defend the Right to Work. Attorney for the Committee is pressing to speed up the case over the alleged attempts of the government to stall it. Recent developments indicated that the Coast Guard's tactics are on shaky legal grounds.

## Judge Offers Post to Negro

By Ed Riley

DETROIT, Dec. 20.—Judge George Murphy of Records Court, brother of the late U. S. Supreme Court Justice Frank Murphy, has informed Governor Williams that he will retire from the bench, providing the Governor, who has the power of appointing the replacement, will do so by appointing a Negro.

Judge Murphy, long a victim of illness, said that he was firmly convinced that democracy would be advanced considerably by the replacement of himself with a Negro judge.

"Many, many Negro attorneys are perfectly capable of serving in this post, just as capably as anyone else and there are many examples to prove it" said Judge Murphy.

## MARINE COOKS ASK CIO FOR OPEN AND FAIR TRIAL

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—Seven conditions to guarantee that the scheduled trial in which the National Union of Marine Cooks and Stewards faces possible expulsion from the CIO be fair were asked by the union's General Council meeting here.

The following conditions were asked:

1—That the trial be held in San Francisco if the charges involve the national union, or in the local areas if they involve any MCS branches.

2—That all trial proceedings be open to the MCS rank and file.

3—That adequate notice of hearings be given so the union may have present all individuals that have participated in the formulation of MCS policy.

4—That official and adequate bill of particulars of all charges against the union be given.

5—That the MCS have full opportunity to present witnesses and

necessary documentary evidence, and to cross-examine all witnesses.

6—That all relevant documents and matters in the possession of the national CIO be produced, and that the union have adequate opportunity to examine them.

7—That an official record be kept of all trial proceedings.

The statement added that the committee, composed of O. A. Knight, James Fadling and Joseph A. Fisher, appointed by Philip Murray to try the MCS, are all avowed enemies of the membership.

The Council declared that Joseph Curran is a part of the conspiracy to have MCS thrown out of the CIO.

"We insist on staying in CIO and conducting a fight for a better CIO, a more democratic CIO, a CIO that was founded on democratic principles," the General Council declared.

## FARMERS ASK PRICE FLOOR FOR SURVIVAL

The first blizzard of the season blew 4,000 delegates and visitors from the wheat-growing Northwest into St. Paul for the 12th annual stockholders' meeting of the Farmers Union Grain Terminal held Dec. 12-14.

Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannan, the feature speaker, urged adoption of his plan of farm price supports.

James Patton, national president of the Farmers Union, declared agriculture was in politics up to its neck and put his OK on the Democrats.

Little was mentioned by any of the speakers about foreign policy, and concern was evident among many delegates that the Farmers Union might drift into support of the Truman Doctrine.

Perhaps the most straightfor-

ward analysis of the economic situation was made by Glenn Talbott, president of the North Dakota Farmers Union and chairman of the National Board. Talbott pointed out that unless farm prices were supported some 2,800,000 farmers would become bankrupt and move to the cities as the "biggest and best strikebreaking army this country ever saw."

He referred to the farm program of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, which called for elimination from one-half to two-thirds of the farmers to make way for corporation farmers.

The fight for price supports, he said, was a fight for survival.

The Farmers Union has been torn for several years between its great regional cooperatives and the educational organization. Tal-

bott, significantly, warned that the Farmers Union was not the coops or the national office but the "folks of the grass roots."

Incidentally there is a move among the North Dakota membership to put the Progressive Party on the ballot, in spite of the fact that the national organization leans in the direction of making the Farmers Union a tail to the Democratic Party.

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# The Abs-ent-Minded State Department

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Just when did Herr Hermann Abs, Hitler's financial lieutenant, meet in the United States during his hurried visit here? And how come the State Department says Abs was in Washington on Dec. 8 when the French Line records show he sailed from New York on the Ile de France the day before, on Dec. 7?

Officials of six government agencies won't say.

It is probable that Abs conferred secretly with bankers and industrialists controlling U. S. Steel Corp. and with representatives of the Westinghouse Electric Corp.

Abs is now on the control board of the Ruhr iron and steel industry. He was a director of the Vereinigte Stahlwerke, the Nazi Steel trust, now dominated by

the U. S. Steel Corp. He was also president of the Deutsche Bank and a director of the Rheinische Westphalien Electrical Co., controlled by the Von Siemens family which, before World War II, had a set of agreements with the Westinghouse Electrical Corp. in the U. S. Abs was also a director of I. G. Farben.

## CLOSE SECRET

Abs arrived here on the Ile de France on Nov. 17.

His visit to the United States was a closely guarded secret until he left on Dec. 7. His visit was first disclosed a week later when Sen. Guy Gillette (D-Iowa) demanded that the State Department disclose why Abs' presence here had been such a closely guarded secret.

It made no difference to the State Dept. that Abs had been a Nazi, as reported by U. S. Military government officials. The State Department blandly said, in explanation, that an investigation of Abs "failed to disclose factual evidence of a derogatory character other than his activities were of assistance to the German war effort in a broad sense."

The State Department contradicted voluminous on the spot reports by military government officials which cited documentary evidence that Abs was a Nazi. The State Department said Abs was not a Nazi, but admitted that he hadn't been cleared by a denazification board. They said he had been placed in denazification category 5 the "least obnoxious category."

## PLUNDERED JEWS

To acquire this reputation as a least obnoxious Nazi, Abs, while in control of the Deutsche Bank, directed the plundering of Jewish property in Germany, and then went on to loot all of Nazis-occupied Europe for Hitler.

American Military Government officials, in a report approved by

Gen. Lucius Clay in 1947, spelled out how the Deutsche Bank, in cooperation with the Dresdner Bank, took over properties of Jews, or helped customers acquire Jewish properties, "selected and appraised property for future Aryanization and even searched for prospective customers interested in this type of transaction."

"This experience gained in Aryanization activity in Germany served the banks in good stead in their subsequent economic spoliation of occupied Europe," Gen. Clay's report said.

Rep. Adolph J. Sabath (D-Ill), on the floor of the House in 1947, charged that the British opened their lines around Berlin to Abs

two days before the German capital city fell to the Soviet and U. S. Armies. Sabath said Abs "was given the facilities to go through the British lines with 7,000,000,000 marks cash in order to establish his business in Hamburg, in the British zone."

## BRITISH ADVISER

Every effort by AMG officials to wrest Abs from the British authorities and place him under arrest as a war criminal failed. Abs had been appointed a financial adviser to the British Zone Commander, Sir Sholto Douglas, and given official status.

Several months later, Sabath reported, Abs negotiated a loan of 125,000,000 Reichsmarks to the

Nazi steel trust, Vereinigte Stahlwerke. The loan was floated by the Deutsche Bank with the help of the Dresdner Bank, both back operating at their old stand.

Since that time officials of the U. S. Steel Corp. operating as members of official U. S. boards, have taken over firm control of the German steel trust. Four of the five members of the Allied Steel Commission are U. S. Steel officers.

They are William J. Brinkerhoff, Werner P. Naumann, Ronald Clark and Ian F. L. Elliott. In addition, Norman H. Collison, head of the Marshall Plan mission to Western Germany, handled

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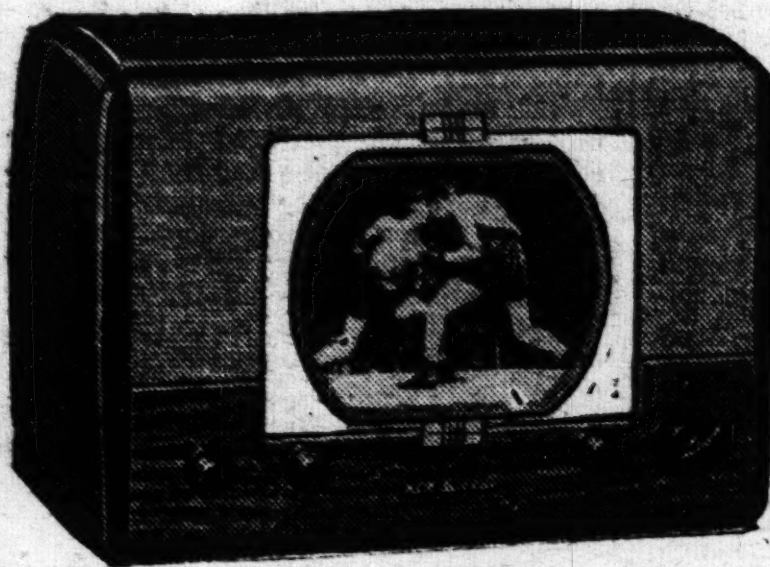
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## Around the Globe

By Joseph Starobin

### The Tito Crisis

(Third of a Series)

ONE DAY AFTER I. F. Stone's article for The Daily Compass last Wednesday, which swallowed the Tito line, hook and sinker, his own newspaper published the second of a series by Theodore White, writing from Belgrade. Though Mr. White is far from immune to Titoite ideas, his evidence coincides with the testimony of the British correspondent, Alexander Werth, in The Nation last month, and of Mark Gayn, in The New Republic last September, on one basic point—that "Yugoslavia is on the edge of a massive economic crisis." Last Sept. 26, Gayn had written that "Yugoslavia is clearly in the depths of an economic crisis, and the Yugoslavs, buoyant six months ago, are desperate now."



White gives many reasons for this crisis, but puts the major blame where it belongs, and that it on the Titoite Five-Year "Plan" and the men who planned it. It will be remembered that two top Yugoslav leaders, Andreas Hebrang and Gen. Alexander Zhujovich, had objected to the adventurism of this plan in '47-'48. For this, they were expelled from the Yugoslav Communist Party, called "Soviet spies," and clapped in jail where they still are.

This development, along with Tito's plans for an anti-Soviet Balkan Federation, finally convinced the Soviet leaders that there was something very rotten, way down deep, among the Yugoslav leaders, and led to the June, 1948, exposure.

THEODORE WHITE notes that the Yugoslav Plan, which began in April, 1947, called for an investment rate of 27 percent, and in reality, the figure comes closer to 40 percent. This must be compared with the Polish or Czechoslovak investment rates, which range from 20-22 percent. And it must be remembered that the last-named countries were far more developed than Yugoslavia to begin with. Moreover, Tito insisted on starting his Plan almost two years before his allies had completed their interim reconstruction plans which have brought those countries above pre-war levels; to the point where basic, long-range development is now feasible.

In other words, Tito was putting all the other countries in a position where they had to carry the burden of unrealistic plans in Yugoslavia; and when these plans began to break down, as every economist in eastern Europe said would happen, Tito turned around and tried to shift the blame from himself to the other countries; even though the facts show that it was Yugoslavia which wasn't living up to its schedules of deliveries, and actually holding back materials that a year later were flowing to the West.

White says that the Five-Year Plan has become "an organized form of community exhaustion," and that "an arrogant imagination tried to do too many things at once and reduced an entire nation to drudgery."

Tito has now developed a dollar shortage, like all the Marshall Plan countries. As Alexander Werth reported in The Nation for Nov. 5, the plans are now being revised. This revision—in the context of Yugoslav dependence on the imperialist market—means the "dismantling of the people's-democratic system in Yugoslavia," to use the words of the latest Cominform statement.

I GO INTO THIS for several reasons. First, it shows that Tito has led the Yugoslav people toward disaster; they had reliable allies who were prepared to help them build Socialism, but Tito has driven his people into alliance with imperialism, which certainly won't do anything except intensify the crisis. Second, I. F. Stone's hearsay, picked up from listening to the Tito diplomats here, is simply the rationalization for Tito's treachery. Tito has invented the story about being unfairly treated to cover up his betrayal of socialism, and retreat to imperialism. They could only have been rotten from the start to have behaved in such a way in 1946 and 1947. We now know from the Rajk and Kostov trials that their behavior was part of a pattern: It was part of a calculation to take all of southeastern Europe under their wing, and break the solidarity of the Socialist nations in the interests of imperialism.

Men like Tito and his cohorts could not have been merely misguided, or mistaken, since they showed such a stubborn refusal to take advice and correct mistakes. They are, in fact, the Yugoslav Kostovs: men with long-time Trotskyist backgrounds and tendencies, skillfully concealed, and now fully exposed. Such are the Judases whom I. F. Stone has saluted.

VIRGIL

By Len Kleis



## Letters from Readers

### Explaining A Crisis Away

New York

Editor, Daily Worker:

It is always illuminating—and frequently downright funny—when the journalistic hangers-on of Wall Street let the cat out of the bag.

For instance, in the Dec. 14 issue of the New York Post, that paper's star "economic analyst," Sylvia Porter, cited a Russian broadcast which predicted an economic slump in this country.

Miss Porter set out to prove that the figures on production, employment, etc., given by the Moscow radio were wrong—but finds them to be either correct or, even by her measurements, not without basis.

She is then faced with a dilemma: If the figures are correct, how can she prove the conclusion wrong? (After all, she

is bound to find something wrong with the broadcast—columnists also have to earn a living.)

So she comes up with the following extraordinary statements: "You and I know America is not in an economic crisis... we understand the figures, can place them in proper focus. But the Russian people do not know what we know."

Among other things, the Russian broadcast also mentioned that, including the partially employed (seasonal and part-time workers), there are 14 million unemployed in America. Miss Porter admits that it is 13.6 million.

I wonder if those 13.6 million know what Miss Porter and Wall Street and the New York Post claim to know, namely, that America is not approaching an economic crisis?

M. MORRIS.

## Press Roundup

THE COMPASS blasts School Superintendent Jansen for stating that he will take "no further action" in the case of Mae Quinn, teacher and bigot. "What action, if any, has been taken?" the paper asks, and calls for an open public hearing on the case. "Meanwhile," it adds, "it is not merely the teacher who is under a cloud: it is the school system itself."

THE TIMES, editorializing on its phony charge that western books are banned in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union, says: "The reading public is obviously to be fed on pre-digested Communist baby food, and nothing else." Nothing else, except Mark Twain, Jack London, Bret Harte, Charles Dickens, William Shakespeare... and lots more.

THE HERALD TRIBUNE, as usual, is against transit wage increases, but is all for another fare hike.

THE NEWS, not satisfied with sinking half our budget in the cold war, wants more dough sunk into naval armaments.

THE MIRROR bubbles over with praise for the "brave conservatives" Gen. Eisenhower and James Byrnes. It eggs them on

to keep slugging at "sneak socialists," its term for anybody who suspects that working people should get three-squares a day (and we don't mean frankfurters).

THE JOURNAL - AMERICAN'S Political Parade says that "Gen. Eisenhower will remain a potential Presidential possibility for the 1952 contest for the simple and inescapable reason that he is one."

THE POST'S Max Lerner commenting on May and October marriages, apropos the Simpson-O'Dwyer event, notes, "But you no longer have to be a millionaire to get the prize. It is even better if you are simply the kind of public figure who can create for your young wife a lambent and burnished life at the heart of things, where the fires of activity burn brightest. What the young women want is not wealth, but the sense of life's stir." Beat that!

THE WORLD-TELEGRAM presses for a new witch-hunt against teachers now that the Feinberg Law has been found invalid by the higher court. It nudges the Board of Education to use the Devaney Law against progressive teachers.

## World of Labor

By George Morris

### 1. 'Free Enterprise' Won At London Parley

BACK FROM the London conference where they supervised the creation of the misnamed International Confederation of Free Trade Unions, both the AFL and CIO delegates expressed elation over their new-found unity. This unity and its product in London was the first major result of the CIO's latest anti-Communist campaign.

In the main, the London show was directed by the AFL's leaders. It was the fruition of what they wanted to set up since war days, but for which they virtually stood alone until recently because the CIO and British unions joined the USSR's unions to form the World Federation of Trade Unions. The London conference, therefore, represented a capitulation of the CIO and the British to the AFL's position. William Green lost no time in suggesting, when he returned, that the unity achieved in London could also be a pattern for "national unity."



But the real benefits of the international labor split and the results of the London conference go to the State Department and those in America who dislike even governments of a rightwing socialist or British Laborite tinge.

BUSINESS WEEK, very happy with the outcome, says:

"There is not much socialism in the constitution of the new International Confederation of Free Trade Unions. That's the big news coming out of the debate and hard work which created the ICFTU in London this month."

The "change" from the past, noted by Business Week is that the CIO and AFL were united and "had a lot of say-so about what ICFTU must stand for."

"Heretofore, international labor federations drew inspiration very largely from the Marxist mainstream of European labor thinking," observed Business Week. But in view of the strong participation of America's unions, the new outfit "recognizes that there are virtues in free enterprise," and "makes no pretense of being Socialist."

Business Week is happy because American labor leaders are doing their part even against the "collectivism" of the rightwing Socialist or Laborite brand. This is simply a reflection in the world's labor bureaucracy of what William Z. Foster noted in Friday's Daily Worker, is taking place in governments. The out-and-out upholders of capitalism are taking over direct reign of governments as they did in New Zealand, Australia, West Germany, and as they plan to do in Britain, France and other countries.

Social democracy is declining as a strong base of support for capitalism because it has become very much discredited, especially among the workers. That discredit came upon Social Democracy precisely because of its prostitution to the capitalist forces that are now losing confidence in it as a durable source of mass support.

THUS, THE PROSPECT that ICFTU will be under the thumb of American "free enterprise" leadership, is "big news" to American business men. They hail the AFL-CIO unity for this purpose as much as they obstructed unity efforts in the past for purposes that would have been distasteful to Big Business.

As though to reassure Wall Street that its will was fully carried out, secretary-treasurer David McDonald of the steelworkers told reporters when he docked in New York that "it is our intention to push the doctrine of Communism back behind the Volga." You're covering a lot of territory, Dave!

Later, at dinner, he said that the U. S. delegates made sure that Socialist parties won't control ICFTU unions. He said nothing about the parties in control of Catholic unions or Vatican-controlled unions the conference invited.

"I don't want the Confederation to be a branch of the World Socialist movement," said McDonald, according to the Times. "I am proud of the kind of free democratic capitalist union movement we have here."

In that same speech, McDonald said it is the task of the American union to "do an education job" abroad to teach Europeans "our idea of unionism."

Tomorrow we will go into some of "our ideas" of unionism that the AFL-CIO bureaucracy plans to export on a grand scale.

**COMING:** Is Santa Claus Subversive? . . . by Bernard Burton . . . in the weekend Worker



## America and Stalin

JOSEPH STALIN is 70 years old today.

Hundreds of millions of people all over the earth will celebrate his birthday with gladness and rejoicing. There must be a reason for this enormous popular admiration and love. The reason is not hard to find. It consists of Stalin's thoughts and of Stalin's deeds.

What does Stalin think? He has written it down for the world to see. Those who slander him and call him "dictator" never dare to let the people see for themselves what he thinks. He advocates true democracy by saying that only when the people of any country own their country's industries can they have genuine self-government. Otherwise, he says, the private owners of the industries remain the real, behind-the-scenes rulers.

He believes in and practices on a scale never seen before in world history the Brotherhood of Man. One month after the 1917 Socialist Revolution he signed the law abolishing all racial and national inequality. He condemns anti-Semitism as "cannibalism." He despises "white supremacy" as a crime. He believes in and practices peace among all nations.

**WHAT DID HE DO?** He led the creation of a mighty Socialist industry and mechanized agriculture in his country, thus proving that Socialism works better than capitalism. He organized and led the armies that smashed the tyranny of Nazism, the most ferocious enemy humanity ever faced. If he had not done that, our own America would have faced national disaster. We gave him trucks and some munitions, to be sure. But this was never more than 5 percent of the total Soviet war effort. His country gave 20,000,000 human lives to our common war effort.

**THE BIG BUSINESS PROFITEERS** who hate Stalin's vision of democracy, peace, and Socialism say that any American who also desires democracy, peace and Socialism must be a "Stalin agent." They would deny the American people the right to study the progressive ideas and achievements of other peoples.

But Jefferson studied the Englishman John Locke to help write our Bill of Rights; Revolutionary France studied Washington, Franklin and Paine; workingmen in Europe actively backed Abe Lincoln; FDR wisely joined with Stalin against Hitler. He is called a "Stalin agent" now by the Tories. But it was no accident that when America faced mortal danger after Pearl Harbor, friendship with Stalin became a national, patriotic necessity.

The sole test for the ideas of Stalin should be—are they true? Will they work? Will they help us make our country a better place to live in? Honest, objective study should replace blind and ignorant malice and slander. Nations and peoples should learn from each other. "Revolution is not for export," Stalin said. Any Communist who "takes orders" instead of studying his country to see how to make it happier and freer on the basis of its own conditions and history is "not worth a cent," he said.

The haters of peace and democracy shout that since Stalin leads a Socialist state and offers peace, Americans who believe in Socialism and desire peace are "taking orders from a foreign power." But in doing so, they only reveal that it is they who are America's real enemies. They place their war contracts and war profits above the peace and welfare of the United States. The men who sneer "foreign agent" at the advocates of U.S.-Soviet friendship are the same men who are reviving the German Nazis in Western Germany—America's proven enemies.

Lincoln was honored by progressive men in all countries despite the sneers of the Tories. FDR was mourned by peace-loving mankind and by the Soviet peoples whose hand he clasped in friendship. We defy the profiteers and slanderers. As Americans devoted to our country, seeking its highest welfare, we congratulate Stalin as a great man of peace, democracy, brotherhood and Socialism.

## POLICE STATE JUSTICE

By Fred Ellis



## As We See It

Washington's  
Iron Curtain

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON.



SOME 20 YEARS AGO, I am told, a school teacher in the District of Columbia got into trouble. It seemed a student, pointing to a certain unmentionable area on a world map, asked, "And what country is that?" Miss Alice Deal—for that was her name—replied that it was the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and in response to further questions told the children a little bit about the form of society which the people of that country were attempting to establish.

Miss Deal was called on the carpet by irate members of the school board for teaching "Bolshevism." Somehow she managed to prove herself innocent of anything worse than doing her job as a teacher, that is, instructing her pupils as to what was going on in the world. In that field she in fact did so well that after her death the Alice Deal Junior High School was named in her honor.

It is extremely doubtful, however, whether Miss Deal would have gotten off so easily, or acquired such honors, if her case had come before the school authorities today. In these times, it is not information about the world which our educators want school children to receive. In fact, they are prepared to take draconian steps to interpose a mental blockade between the pupils and the world.

ONE SUCH STEP which has received publicity is the decision of a number of high school authorities to confiscate and burn copies of the USSR Information Bulletin issued here by the Soviet Embassy twice a month. The movement apparently began in Texas, where a number of high schools whose libraries had been receiving the bulletin announced that henceforth the magazine would be banned.

In Fall River, Mass., copies were burned. In Atlanta the demand has gone up for the burning of the magazines but I am not informed as to whether the torch has actually been applied. In the District of Columbia, the first assistant superintendent of schools was satisfied to "confiscate two or three dozen copies" of the Bulletin, making it clear to high school librarians that henceforth the Bulletin was "not on the approved list."

MEANWHILE, Sen. Herbert

O'Connor and his subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee took steps to protect youthful and adult minds from being poisoned through the ear. In a report to the Senate, O'Connor asserted that the Polish language broadcast of the Gdynia-American steamship line over several stations in Brooklyn, Newark and Chicago was a menace to the free enterprise system. The announcer was actually telling Polish-Americans that conditions in Poland were constantly improving, he said.

The radio program has also stated that "the foreign policy of the Polish government is working for peace, both at home and in the United Nations," according to Sen. O'Connor. The Senator believes that we should find a way to silence this radio program. No doubt he would also like to forbid the publication of the USSR Information Bulletin.

I have never heard the Gdynia-America line's radio program, but I never miss an issue of the Information Bulletin. Its recent special offer (of \$1 for a year's subscription) has made it more accessible to many Americans. It is a beautiful, well-illustrated, slick paper job which keeps me abreast of cultural developments on one-sixth of the earth's surface. The Dec. 9 issue happens to have an excellent article on free medical and health care for the Soviet people.

I CAN UNDERSTAND how some school authorities who think a national health insurance plan sinful would bar circulation of the Bulletin. But I do not see how they can square that action with our contention that here we have the free exchange of information while over there, behind that fictitious "Iron Curtain" no light from the capitalist world is permitted. Our State Department says we have nothing to fear in the "market place of ideas." If so, why all the panic about the Polish radio program and the Soviet Bulletin?

In Moscow, the U. S. publishes in the Russian language a slick paper magazine called *Amerika*, which is not only mailed to educational institutions but is sold on news-stands. In Warsaw the U. S. conducts an information center and also publishes a bulletin in the Polish language. It does not confine itself to American culture but adventures into political realms. In one instance, at least, it insulted the Polish government by calling it a "satellite" of the USSR.

Meanwhile there has just come to my desk an expensively printed magazine, *Argentina*, published by Peron's embassy here. So far neither the school superintendents nor Sen. O'Connor are on record as objecting to the circulation of this magazine.



Youngsters learning to embroider at the Moscow Young Pioneers' Club.



# Big Firm Orders Worker Purge

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IBEW was seen as the underlying factor behind announcement of the non-Communist affidavits.

UE has been seeking a new election in the plant. The affidavits are viewed as a pretext to fire all workers suspected by the company of being pro-UE.

The company is now up before the NLRB on unfair labor charges being pressed by individual workers in the shop.

## CHARGE INTIMIDATION

Stewart-Warner is accused of interfering with the election, discharging workers to influence the election, acting in collusion with the IBEW, and intimidating workers to sign pledge cards for the IBEW.

Among those fired at the time were John Kelliher, UE local pres-

ident and employee in the plant for 25 years, and Florence Hall, a shop worker who testified at the trial of the Communist leaders in New York.

The company made the announcement of its own Taft-Hartley policy in the company newspaper distributed today to the workers.

William W. Miller, director of industrial relations, declared that all workers asked to sign the non-Communist affidavits will be fired unless they do so.

"Refusal to sign will result in immediate dismissal," the company spokesman made clear.

The policy statement in the company publication asserted that "this does not mean that every employee will have to sign an affidavit to hold his job."

"The only persons who might

be asked to sign would be those suspected of Communist leanings."

Stewart-Warner is notoriously anti-labor, having long been one of the few companies here to maintain an open shop until forced to recognize UE.

The broad language used in the company announcement indicated that any workers fighting for genuine unionism in the shop could be accused "of Communist leanings."

A statement by David Rothstein, attorney for UE, said "the company is confusing itself with the Gestapo."

"It is unlawful for an employer to force an employee to disclose any political belief in order to hold his job."

"If the company carries out this policy, it will be challenged under the laws of the United States."

## Abs

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many a law case for U. S. Steel through his law firm.

## BIGGEST BANKER

Last year, after Abs was stamped a least obnoxious Nazi by the denazification board in Hamburg where he is established as the biggest banker in the city, the former financial aide to Hitler became deputy chairman of the German Reconstruction Loan Corp.

As such, Abs advises Dr. Conrad Adenauer, chancellor of the Western German government. From this position, Abs was able to get on the control board for the Ruhr iron and steel industry, and to resume a position with I. G. Farben.

For the last two years, rumors of negotiations between Westinghouse and Von Siemens' interests have been thick and heavy.

## MET GOVT OFFICIALS

The State Department, in explaining that Abs had come to the United States on a temporary visa to hold discussions with U. S. bankers on debts owed by Germany since 1931, said Abs had visited Washington for one day and had seen officials of six government agencies in that day.

Only two agencies named by the State Department confirmed the statement. The Federal Reserve Board said Abs had talked to a "member of the staff." They said they couldn't determine who the member was. State Department spokesmen said Abs had talked about "technical matters" with an officer of the Bureau of German Affairs. The spokesmen said this meeting was held Dec. 8.

Officials of the Treasury Department, International Bank and Economic Cooperation Administration said they were not able to determine whether Abs had talked to even an information clerk. And a spokesman for the International Monetary Fund said he had informed the State Department that their information was incorrect, and that Abs had not spoken to anyone there.

So Abs' visit to Washington is as mysterious as his entire visit to the U. S. It was ascertained, after a check with the French Line, that Abs arrived on Nov. 17.

## 1,500 Potash Strikers Fight

CARLSBAD, N. M., Dec. 20.—Officials of Local 415, International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers (CIO) say 1,500 Carlsbad potash workers will remain on strike "until it is won."

Local president C. D. Smothermon said the issue that took the men from the mines on Nov. 19 is not "just a strike for a wage increase." Smothermon said the local is "striking for the very life of our union."

In the past several weeks, Smothermon said, the three large potash firms involved have carried on a studied campaign of contract violations that appear to be part of a plan to break the union. Just after the workers struck, the companies announced they would no longer deal with the union. Local 415 spokesmen said the contract cancellations by the three firms were what the companies were after all along.

Despite management's flat refusal to grant a wage increase and to consider union objections to certain company policies, the union feels it will eventually win its strike. Union officials point out that the industry in Carlsbad has made such high profits in the past that the New Mexico Legislature hiked the potash taxes considerably, despite the presence of a well-paid employer lobby during the legislative session.

Union officials said they have placed into operation a smoothly working strike organization which had been planned since last March. The relief and welfare committee has lined up a strike store, deferment of credit payments and assurance of food by the boxcar in case the strike continues for an indefinite period.

## Truman Back

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—President Truman returned today from a three-week Florida vacation. In the first hours back at his White House desk he scheduled talks with Secretary of the Treasury John W. Snyder, Budget Director Frank Pace, Jr., and Secretary of State Dean Acheson.

## Jury Hears Charge '5 Percenter' Lied

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—A Federal grand jury took secret testimony today on charges that John Maragon, mystery man-about-town and former White House intimate, lied to Senate investigators about his business deals and bank accounts in a probe of "five percenters."

The jurors heard from a string of government witnesses who have publicly told stories conflicting with Maragon's sworn statements to the Senate's super-investigating committee.

## Traitor Gets 6 Years

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 (UP)—Herbert John Burgman, who as "Joe Scanlon" broadcast radio propaganda for the Germans during the war, was sentenced today to six to 20 years in prison for treason.

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## Bulgarian Papers Print Heath's Denial

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## Jerusalem

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when the question of the Transjordan army was raised.

Or the hypocritical request by American spokesmen at the UN that Britain use its good offices to urge King Abdullah to refrain from invading Palestine. For it is public knowledge that "the Arab League, trained, armed, paid, and commanded by the British, is not Abdullah's to command. Not one soldier of the Legion will set foot in Palestine if the British do not want it." (The Nation, April 24, 1948).

While Britain was warring in Israel by using Arab mercenaries, Washington was proceeding with its own plans for destroying the partition decision and the struggle of the Jewish community for independence. Warren Austin, American UN delegate, proclaimed the original partition decision as unworkable. Instead, he sponsored a trusteeship plan whose intention was to exclude the Soviet Union from further participation in the Palestine question and to assure America complete domination of Palestine through a new UN supervision plan. In fact, the American delegation was successful in getting a special General Assembly meeting convened to discuss this new plan.

Today it is obvious that only the consistent efforts of the Soviet Union prevented the passage of that plan and the dashing of all hopes for an independent Jewish state.

### LIPPMANN'S PROPOSAL

Walter Lippmann's comments at the time bear repeating today. "It may be," he said, "that in the end the solution will be to reunite the whole of Palestine on both sides of the Jordan in a loose confederation of two or three autonomous but not wholly sovereign states, perhaps with Abdullah as king of a greater Palestine."

"Such a solution is not inconceivable if Britain and America jointly decided to promote it — Britain using its influence with Abdullah and America its influence with the Jewish Agency." (New York Herald Tribune, April 27, 1948.)

The trusteeship plan was of course not the only measure attempted by the American ruling class to betray the UN decision. Few democratic Americans will forget the arms embargo imposed by the Truman administration when the new state of Israel was fighting for its life.

Nor can we forget the terse note sent by the State Department to Czechoslovakia demanding that it cease sending arms to Israel.

And when the State Department found that this did not work and when it was surprised to find that

Israel was actually winning the war, our government joined with Britain to effect a phony one-sided truce designed to give the Arabs a breathing spell and, in league with Britain, to gain time to work out some new scheme for the destruction of Israel.

At that time the masses of people had little doubt who was a true friend of Israel and who was seeking to frustrate the aspirations of the Israeli people for freedom and security. At that time even the right wing and conservative press of Israel acknowledged, as did Haboker, for instance, "The words and deeds of the Soviet representative in our darkest hours have deeply sunk into our memory. The firm and consistent support of Israel by the USSR at Lake Success has given the USSR and its statements a place of honor in the new history of Israel."

But perhaps most revealing of the sentiments of the masses in Israel towards the Soviet Union was the report of the New York Herald Tribune correspondent, Kenneth Bilby on Aug. 5, 1948, "Russian prestige," said he, "has soared enormously among all political factions. . . . From . . . Czechoslovakia, Jews made some of their most important and possibly their most sizable bulk purchases. Certain Czech arms shipments which reached Israel during critical junctures of the war played a vital role in blunting the invasion's five Arab armies."

"When Jewish troops marched in review down Tel Aviv's Allenby Street last week, new Czechoslovak rifles appeared on the shoulders of infantry soldiers. In the hodgepodge of weapons which the Jews have amassed, this rifle stands out as the basic weapon of the Israeli army."

## Defer CIO Trial of UOPWA

CIO officials agreed yesterday to cease all further trial proceedings or any action on trial proceedings already held against the United Office and Professional Workers of America pending the hearing of a suit filed by the UOPWA in the Federal Court at Washington, D. C., yesterday morning. The suit, which would enjoin the CIO from taking any steps to impair the autonomy of the UOPWA or to expel it, will be heard Jan. 10.

The UOPWA's suit, filed by its general counsel, Leonard Boudin, is based on charges that CIO officials have conspired to impair the autonomy of the UOPWA and other CIO unions, that the amendments and charges under which UOPWA is being tried are unconstitutional, violating American freedom of belief and Bill of Rights, that they constitute ex post facto legislation and that the Trial Committee is biased and its procedures unfair.

## UE

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board to swindle the UE membership or to rig hearings against them in advance, or jeopardize their gains and conditions by making it easier for the companies and the Taft-Hartley board to split units out of the major chains."

Dermod explained that Westinghouse in its application for elections in its plants had asked that 76 units be declared proper bargaining units, instead of the 63 units that now exist. CE had filed for 99 units. IUE petitions were identical with those filed by the companies, even to a clerical error made in the Westinghouse petition.

The NLRB will conduct its first hearing in Pittsburgh Dec. 28 on the application for election made by Westinghouse.

### Strictly Commercial

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 (UP). —The Voice of America will start broadcasting in the Indonesian language on Monday.

## Relief Hearing

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tentions as "false" and proved "that never before" had relief slashes been predicated on the state's "insistence."

Frank Herbst, president of Local 1 of the Welfare Dep't in the CIO United Public Workers, in a brilliant refutation of Hilliard's arguments, pointed out that it took Hilliard 15 months to raise relief slightly when living costs rose, and "now he's rushing" to cut our relief despite statistics showing no real drop in food prices.

Herbst, despite heckling by Thomas A. Mirabile, Brooklyn, and other Democrats on the committee, cut through the "legalistic" gimmicks in Hilliard's brief and evoked a storm of applause.

Here is what Herbst showed:

- The proposed \$2 relief cut is actually much more; food will be slashed an average 10 percent; children will be forced to drink evaporated milk instead of fresh milk; pregnant women on relief will receive a \$2.75 reduction in allowances every month; Children under 1 year will be getting \$2.25 less a month; an employed man on relief will have his subsistence allowances cut \$9.75 a month; clients receiving special tubercular, cardiac and diabetic diets will be slashed from \$70 to \$36 a month, "in addition to the overall 10 percent food cut"; clothing aid will be sliced 9 percent; school allotments will go down to 20 cents a month for children; the blind on relief will be cut from \$2.10 to \$1.20 a month in special aid, and veterans who are 100 percent disabled will have their \$135 a month government benefits reduced by \$6.20 a month "above and beyond all other cuts" in the new Welfare Department relief budget.

- Since June, 1946, to Sept. 15, 1949, food costs rose 38 percent in New York City while relief clients received only a 22 percent allotment boost. "We're still 16 percent behind the eight-ball," Herbst told the Committee.

Isidor Blumberg of the New York Tenant Council, demanded a 25 percent increase in relief allotments and urged that the Council convene in a special session before the end of the year to head off the impending crisis.

Dr. Harold Aaron, chairman of the Physicians Forum, denounced claims that unemployed and relief clients need less nutrition than those with jobs. As a doctor who visits welfare clients in city hospitals, Dr. Aaron testified that malnutrition was greater among those patients than others. Hilliard denied that, saying "we found malnutrition stops after they get on relief."

Daniel Allen, of the state American Labor Party, charged Hilliard with turning \$10,000,000 back to the state which could have been used to increase welfare aid. He contended that Kasius, who a week ago admitted Hilliard was responsible for the projected cuts, had made a deal with Hilliard, proof of which was the letter presented to the committee.

William Stanley, of the Harlem Unemployed and Welfare Council, declared housing in Harlem "is so bad we can usually tell the temperature without going outside. A little more food would help keep us warm."

The United War Veterans Board, including the American Legion, assailed the relief reductions, and Charles McMurray, president, warned the Council "that we expect it to do something or else the veterans will knock somebody's brains out."

Mrs. Helen Harris, director of the United Neighborhood Houses, said "People do not live in a vacuum," and denounced the "long delays" before granting vital subsidiary allowances for rent, clothing, special diets and school aid. "Families should not be made to bear the brunt of difficulties that the Welfare Department may find itself in," she said.

## Trenton 6: Give Us Back Our Lawyers

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and those other fellows, none other. I made up my mind and I'm going to stick to it."

Wilson, who had been defended by Robert Queen, said of the CRC attorneys:

"I think they're great, I relied on the state before and they sent me to the death house. I will not accept a court-appointed lawyer this time."

Wilson was the only one of the six defendants who refused to sign the fake confession even under torture.

Forrest said he wanted to continue with his lawyer, former judge Frank S. Katzenbach, III, who he thought did a good job for him in the first trial. However, Forrest insisted that he thought the CRC attorneys should be back on the case, terming them "wonderful lawyers" and stating that without them he did not think the case could be won.

All six of the men joined, although interviewed separately, in charging that they had not received a fair trial the first time and that they are not slated to receive a fair trial this time. They

### Protest Landlord's Delay on Repairs

Negro and white tenants of 32 W. 118 St. yesterday protested at City Hall against protracted delays in forcing the landlord to repair violations and make repairs. The building has had three fires since 1945 because of faulty electrical wiring and recently falling plaster injured a child asleep in one of the apartments.

The landlord, B. W. Wortman of 1710 Park Ave., has threatened the tenants with evictions if they continue to press complaints with the Housing and Building Department. The department told the delegation that because of inadequate inspection personnel nothing could be done within two weeks.

## Classified Ads

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charged Judge Hutchinson was prejudiced.

"He acted like we were guilty already," said English of their first trial.

Wilson said, "If I had a fair trial the first time, I wouldn't be here now."

They all claimed that the judge had acted in a biased fashion, ruling out vital evidence for their defense. They also felt that their jury had been incited against them by the pre-trial accounts of the case in the local press.

The men are held in Mercer county Jail, which has no facilities of any modern sort to make prisoners comfortable.

Their only activity outside of their cells consists of three exercise periods a day totaling three hours. The "exercise" consists of walking up and down prison corridors. Otherwise the men are confined to their cells with no activity at all allowed them.

They all complain of the food, which they say is bad. They receive meat beef stew, hot dogs and spam—only three times weekly, they said.

All six showed full determination to fight their case through to victory. They indicated they were not afraid, despite the enormous pressure being put on them and the threat of electrocution being held over them by the state of New Jersey. They gave the impression they were confident their friends on the outside would help them win.

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	WNY — 710 kc.	WNEW — 1130 kc.	WQXR — 1500 kc.
	WNY — 830 kc.	WLIB — 1190 kc.	

**MORNING**

9:00—WOR—Harry Hennessey  
WJZ—Breakfast Club  
WCBS—This Is New York  
WNY—Masterwork Hour  
9:15—WNY—Norman Brokenshire  
WOR—Marvin Miller  
9:30—WOR—Food—Alfred W. McCann  
WQXR—Piano Personalities  
9:45—WNY—The Stars Sing  
WCBS—Misses Goes A-Shopping  
WQXR—Composer's Varieties  
10:00—WNY—Welcome Travelers  
WOR—Henry Gladstone  
WJZ—My True Story  
WCBS—Bing Crosby Show  
WQXR—Morning Melodies  
10:15—WOR—Martha Deane Program  
WCBS—Arthur Godfrey Show  
10:30—WNY—Marriage for Two  
WJZ—Betty Crocker Magazine  
WNY—Health Talk  
10:45—WNY—Dorothy Dix  
WJZ—Victor H. Lindlahr  
11:00—WOR—News  
WJZ—Modern Romances  
WQXR—News: Alma Dettinger  
WNY—We Love and Learn  
WNY—Headlines in Chemistry  
11:15—WNY—Dave Garroway Show  
WOR—Tello Test  
11:30—WNY—Jack Berz  
WOR—The Menjous  
WJZ—Quiz Program  
WCBS—Grand Slam  
WQXR—Along the Danube  
11:45—WNY—Lora Lawton  
WCBS—Rosemary  
WQXR—Luncheon Concert

**AFTERNOON**

12:00—WNY—News Roundup  
WOR—Kate Smith  
WJZ—Houseparty  
WCBS—Wendy Warren  
WQXR—News: Luncheon Concert  
WNY—Midday Symphony  
12:15—WNY—Norman Brokenshire  
WCBS—Aunt Jenny  
12:25—WJZ—Walter Kierman  
12:30—WCBS—Helen Trent  
WOR—News Reports  
WJZ—News: Herb Sheldon  
12:45—WCBS—Our Gai Sunday  
WOR—Luncheon at Sardi's  
1:00—WNY—Mary Margaret McBride  
WCBS—Big Sister  
WJZ—News  
1:15—WJZ—Nancy Craig Program  
WCBS—Ma Perkins—Sketch  
1:30—WCBS—Young Dr. Malone—Sketch  
WOR—Hollywood Theatre  
1:45—WCBS—The Guiding Light—Sketch  
WNY—Weather Report: News  
2:00—WNY—Double or Nothing  
WJZ—Breakfast in Hollywood  
WOR—Second Honey Moon  
WNY—Famous New Yorkers  
WCBS—Second Mrs. Burton  
WQXR—News: Record Reviews  
2:15—WCBS—Perry Mason  
2:30—WNY—Today's Children  
WOR—Queen for a Day  
WJZ—Bride and Groom  
WCBS—Nora Drake  
WNY—Symphonic Matinee  
WQXR—Curtain at 2:30  
2:45—WNY—Light of the World—Sketch  
WCBS—The Brighter Day  
WQXR—Musical Memory Game  
3:00—WNY—Life Can Be Beautiful  
WOR—The Answer Man  
WJZ—Buddy Rogers Show  
WCBS—David Barum  
WQXR—News: Symphonic Matinee  
3:15—WNY—Road of Life  
WCBS—Hilltop House  
3:30—WNY—Pepper Young  
WCBS—Gary Moore Show  
WJZ—Ladies Be Seated  
WOR—Happiness Exchange  
3:45—WNY—Right to Happiness  
4:00—WNY—Backstage Wife  
WOR—Barbara Weiss  
WJZ—Galen Drake  
WQXR—News: Records  
4:15—WNY—Rella Dallas  
4:30—WNY—Lorenzo Jones  
WOR—Prince Charming Show  
WJZ—Melody Promenade  
WCBS—Ulrica Choir  
4:45—WNY—Young Widder Brown  
WJZ—Patt Barnes  
5:00—WNY—When a Girl Marries  
WOR—B-Bar, B-Ranch  
WJZ—Challenge of Tubus  
WCBS—Galen Drake  
WNY—Queens Choral  
WQXR—News: Today in Music  
5:15—WNY—Portia Paves Life  
WQXR—Record Review

**RADIO HIGHLIGHTS**

**PM**

6:00—Natl. Orchestral Assn. Rehearsal. WNYC.  
9:30—Bing Crosby show. WCBS.  
10:30—On Trial. WJZ.

**TV**

8:55—Basketball (Seton Hall vs. Westminster). WATV.  
9:00—Basketball (St. Michael-NYAC). WOR.  
9:30—Boxing (St. Nicholas Arena). WCBS.

**EVENING**

6:00—WNY—Lyle Van  
WJZ—News  
WCBS—Eric Sevareid  
WQXR—Music to Remember  
6:15—WNY—Sports  
WOR—On the Century  
WJZ—Allen Prescott  
6:30—WNY—Wayne Howell Show  
WOR—News  
6:45—WNY—Three Star Extra  
WOR—Stan Lomax  
WJZ—Johnny Thompson Show  
WCBS—Lowell Thomas  
7:00—WNY—Frank Sinatra Jr.  
WOR—Fulton Lewis, Jr.  
WCBS—Seulah Show  
WJZ—Headline Edition  
WNY—Masterwork Hour  
WQXR—News: Keyboard Artists  
7:15—WNY—News of the World  
WOR—Answer Man  
WCBS—Jack Smith, Variety  
WJZ—Elmer Davis  
WQXR—On Stage  
7:30—WNY—Guy Lombardo  
WOR—Gabriel Heatter  
WCBS—Club 15—Variety  
WJZ—Lone Ranger  
WQXR—Jacques Fray  
7:45—WNY—I Love a Mystery  
WCBS—Edward Murrow, News  
8:00—WNY—This Is Your Life  
WOR—Can You Top This  
WJZ—Dr. I. Q. Quiz  
WCBS—Mr. Chameleon  
WQXR—News: Symphony Hall  
8:30—WNY—The Great Gildersleeve  
WOR—Boston Blackie  
WCBS—Dr. Christian  
WNY—Mind Over Music  
WJZ—Sherlock Holmes  
9:00—WNY—Break the Bank  
WCBS—You Bet Your Life  
WOR—Mr. Feathers  
WJZ—To Be Announced  
9:30—WNY—Mr. District Attorney  
WJZ—Buz Adams Show  
WOR—Family Theatre  
WCBS—Bing Crosby Show  
WQXR—Let's Celebrate  
10:00—WNY—Big Story—Sketch  
WJZ—Lawrence Walk Show  
WOR—Frank Edwards  
WCBS—Burns and Allen Show  
WQXR—Opera Preview  
10:15—WNY—Newsreel  
10:30—WNY—Curtain Time  
WCBS—Lum and Abner  
WQXR—Melodies of Old Vienna  
WOR—The Symphonette  
WJZ—On Trial

**Benefit Performance**

A benefit performance for the Queens School, a cooperative, non-profit, interracial nursery in Queens will be held Friday, Dec. 23 at 8:30 p.m. at the Washington Irving High School. Hollywood and Broadway stars, including Irwin Corey, Eddie Manson, Jack Clifford, Anita Alvarez and Paul Villard will appear.

## MOVIE GUIDE

- • Excellent • • Good
- FAME IS THE SPUR. An acutely drawn portrait of a British Party misleader, with a complex, studied performance by Michael Redgrave. Manhattan—Little Cinema.
- THE BICYCLE THIEF. Another fine film by Vittorio De Sica, the maker of Shoeshine. Manhattan—World Theatre.
- THE AFFAIR BLUM. A German film about an attempted frame-up which is particularly relevant today. Manhattan—Apollo.
- HAMLET. The widely praised Laurence Olivier version of the Shakespeare play. Manhattan—Park Avenue Theatre.
- THE MUSEUM OF MODERN ART FILM LIBRARY. The William Wellman face, Nothing Sacred, with Carole Lombard and Fredric March.
- STONE FLOWER; SYMPHONY OF LIFE. A revival of two fine, magisterial Soviet movies. Manhattan—Stanley.
- ON THE TOWN. The movie version of the famous Broadway musical. Manhattan—Music Hall.
- RED SHOES. Distinguished by a fine ballet sequence. Manhattan—Bijou.
- QUARTET. Four polished and witty stories of Somerset Maugham cleverly done. Manhattan—Broadway Embassy.
- MAJOR BARBARA. A revival of the famous Shaw version of his play, plus a charming French art short "1942." Manhattan—Art.
- RIGOLETTO. Badly filmed, but still Verdi, with Tito Gobbi singing the title role. Manhattan—Arcadia.
- INTRUDER IN THE DUST. Shallow and distorted as a picture of the Negro in the South, but Juano Hernandez's performance may make it worth your while. Manhattan—Mayfair.
- FALLEN IDOL. Carol Reed's direction may make this unmotivated melodrama worth seeing. Manhattan—Gothic Theatre.
- FINKY. Except for some three scenes, an untrue account of the Negro's problems in the South. Manhattan—Rivoli.
- BATTLEGROUND. Slick and glib, partly redeemed by some humor of the Yank magazine type. Manhattan—Astor.
- DOLWEN. The first two-thirds is a brilliant account of the death of a town, the rest melodrama, with a fine performance by Edith Evans. Manhattan—Plaza.
- Skip
- TOKYO JOE. Bogart says Japanese fascists and Communists are in cahoots.
- THE RED DANUBE. Dreary slander about the Soviet Union's policy in Austria.
- PROJECT X. A vicious red-baiting quickie.

## Around the Dial:

# One Issue of The Worker Provides Talk for Snell

By Bob Lauter

HERE WE ARE, back again with WOR's "expert" on Communism. He is, of course, David Snell, who gives a Sunday night talk called This Week on the Communist Front (8:45 p. m.). The introduction which Snell receives is an indication of the general level of what follows. We are told that Snell "is an expert on the present generation of Marxist-Lenin activities." No one with any genuine knowledge of the subject would refer to "Marxist-Lenin activities." It would be as though a physicist referred to electro-magnetic fields as "electro-magnet fields." And of what does a generation of activities consist?

SNELL'S LAST TALK was devoted almost exclusively to what he fancied was an interpretation of material in the issue of The Worker which featured articles on Stalin's birthday. He took William Z. Foster's statement, for instance, and interpreted it to mean that Communists are now calling for "world revolution" in all non-socialist countries.

He claimed that an article in this issue was, in effect, a call to all American Communists to "mobilize for militant struggle." It must be that Mr. Snell considers this news, although since its very birth, Communist Party policy has been to organize workers "for militant struggle."

SNELL, A correspondent for the reactionary, anti-labor New York Sun, has two new loves. One of these is the top officialdom of

the CIO and AFL. The other is Marshall Tito. He fell all over himself in describing what he considers a "magnificent job of housecleaning." These words of praise, from a writer for a paper which considers the open shop a more pleasant place than heaven, was lavished on those leaders of the trade union movement who are now disrupting labor organization by their anti-Communist policies. As for Tito, it is clearly a case of hero worship. Snell has what amounts to a crush on Tito. Snell never fails to describe the fight against Titoism in the most wildly exaggerated terms. He refers,

for instance, to the American Party's big job of "cleaning out Titoism," implying that a large factional struggle is going on. It is, however, going on only in the head of David Snell.

THOSE LABOR LEADERS whom Snell praised will be interested in the publications which he recommended to his audience. One of these was Counter-Attack, a magazine edited by a former FBI agent. It is written as an anti-labor guide for manufacturers. The other public is Plain Talk, edited by Isaac Don Levine—another great "friend of labor."

## Peace on Earth Hootenanny For Christmas Eve

Peace on Earth is the title and theme of People's Artists' next Hootenanny, scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 24, Christmas Eve, at Webster Hall, 119 E 11 St.

Christmas carols from many lands, songs of peace and brotherhood and a special musical review of the year highlight the Hootenanny program. A number of songs which were written during 1949 in connection with various struggles, such as Hold the Line, written after the Peekskill incidents, and Bob Claiborne's No More Reds in the Union dedicated to the CIO convention, will be presented.

Performers on the Hootenanny include Pete Seeger, Betty Sanders, Lee Hays, Ernie Lieberman, Ronnie Gilbert, Betty Ancora, Joe Jaffe, Fred Hellerman and Sylvia Kahn.

Reserved seats are available in advance at People's Artists Inc., and the Local 65 Bookshop, both at 13 Astor Place. All tickets are \$1 including tax.

## Freedom Theatre's Xmas Eve Party

Camp Unity's Freedom Theater will combine the holiday spirit with the opening of a new theater in the Czechoslovak Workers House, 347 E. 72 St., on Christmas Eve with a gala party.

The party will be open to all members of the Theater, Czech House and their friends.

The party will start at 9 p.m. and entertainment will be provided by such Freedom Theater personalities as Bob DeGormier, Bobby Tuschmer, Ferman Phillips, Laura Duncan and many others.

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## Hollywood:

## Why the Box Office Is Steadily Falling

By David Platt

BILLY WILKERSON, publisher of Hollywood Reporter, mouthpiece of movie moguls, is slightly sick because the pre-Christmas slump which generally hits the nation's box-offices two weeks before Xmas, this year started its downward glide five weeks before the holiday. Box-office income is off as much as 25 percent in some cities, while the average decline for the country is around 18 percent. One of the few films unaffected by the slump is Stanley Kramer's anti-Jimcrow Home of the Brave which has grossed nearly \$2 million and is still rolling over most of its competitors.

INSTEAD of absorbing this lesson, the movie companies are busy searching the heavens for out-of-this-world themes. (Later on they'll wonder what hit them). One producer has announced The Promise, a story of a man and woman who plunged beyond death and brought back the answer to the riddle of life. Another promises Destination Moon, dedicated to the "single-minded men and women who have worked to free man from his confinement to earth."

THE STUDIOS consistent avoidance of social themes since the blacklisting of the Hollywood Ten, leads them inevitably to such bottom of the barrel stories as Francis, about a talking mule, and The Kaldens Story, about one of Americas "most dangerous criminals" (according to J. Edgar Hoover) with Dan Duryea as the ex-GI who went on an 18-months spree of murder and crime after Pearl Harbor, studied law while confined to a mental institution, later pleaded his own case, was freed and is now working for the government. Leads to such purposeless films as Union Station, about a wealthy blind girl who is kidnaped and held for ransom, most of the action taking place in a huge railroad station; to such stereotyped celluloid poison as Custom's Agent, State Penitentiary, Confidential Squad, Iron Cage, Crooked Way, Deadly Is the Female, Quicksand, If This Be Sin, Escape If You Can. Topping the list is the Warner Bros. film titled simply MUD. It will be flung at the public with Humphrey Bogart as the star.

AND HERE'S MORE Christmas good cheer: Hollywood war films will usher in the season of peace and good-will toward men. New films: Battleground, My Foolish Heart, Hasty Heart, Three Came Home, Twelve O'Clock High. Reissues: Submarine Patrol, Operation X, etc.

FROM A SPEECH at the Electrical Trades Union convention in England: "We have heard that unlimited money has been poured into the film industry. What is it all for? Ninety percent for demoralizing the growing youth of this country. I say that definitely. I am referring to American films, not our own."

FILMS OF CRIME, war and sex based on the three superiorities—male, white and military—are impossible in the Soviet Union, where the exploitation of man by man has been abolished by the people's government. There, producers are guided in their choice of subjects by the peaceful desires and needs of the people. No film is considered that does not serve a social purpose, that does not teach people how to cherish life. In Socialist Russia preparations are under way for biographical films of composers Moussorgsky and Glinka, of Belinsky, the 19th century Russian literary critic. And the other day the Soviet film industry announced plans to film . . . the life of the great American Paul Robeson.

OTHER FLASHES AND CLOSEUPS: Dore Schary, MGM chief and Time Magazine are on the outs over the Luce mag's one paragraph dismissal of Battleground. . . . Urban League of Greater New York cited Home of the Brave for establishing "new high for motion picture production in field of improving human relations." . . . By a vote of 151 to 53 Screen Office & Professional Employees (SOPEG) won a union shop election among office employees at Paramount. . . . In similar NLRB election office employees of William Morris Agency authorized SOPEG to negotiate for union shop by vote of 53 to 2. . . . Flash: At the Samson and Delilah press screening at Paramount studio in Hollywood, a Hearst executive brought as his guest, Mickey Cohen, West Coast racketeer. . . .

HOLLYWOOD TEN NEWS: The Chicago Committee for Defense of the Ten recently formed in Chicago is headed by novelists Nelson Algren (Man With Golden Arm) and Willard Motley (Knock On Any Door). Dorothy Langston has been appointed Eastern Regional director of the Hollywood Ten with offices at 49 W. 44 St., N. Y. An interesting 20-minute animated film strip in sound on The Ten is available for public meetings through Miss Langston's office. . . .

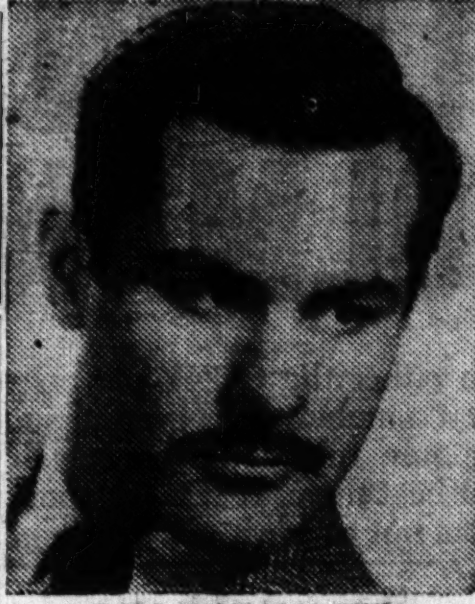
## Today's Film:

## 'Give Us This Day,' Film of Donato's Novel, Disappointing

By Jose Yglesias

GIVE US THIS DAY, the English film version of Christ In Concrete, opened yesterday at the Rialto and proved to be a disappointment. Its failure is due to

GIVE US THIS DAY. Eagle Lion release. Produced by Rod Geiger and N. A. Bronsten. Directed by Edward Dmytryk. From the novel by Pietro Donato. Adaptation by John Penn. Screenplay by Ben Barzman. With Sam Wanamaker, Lea Padovani, Kathleen Ryan, Bonar Colleano. At the Rialto.



SAM WANAMAKER

an emasculation of the novel's intent and, despite much scenic care, to a woeful lack of authenticity about the lives of the Italian immigrants with whom it deals. Edward Dmytryk's fine directorial hand has been waylaid by a lot of pseudo-lyrical dialogue and thin, hoaxed-up conflicts.

Dealing only with the parents of the novel's hero, the movie avoids the novel's telling climax—the hero's break with his parent's uncomplaining way of life and the Catholic Church. In the novel the hero learns the lesson of his parents' life, a lesson which the movie could have given its audience and one which it perhaps thinks it has dealt with. Poured into the mold of an unconvincing and conventional love story, however, very little of its point comes through.

Give Us This Day, then is the story of Geremio, an Italian bricklayer in New York, who marries a very religious Italian girl. Courted by mail, she comes to New York believing that Geremio will provide her with her own home. Her love for him doesn't

falter although he does not meet his promise. And the movie's story is that of their inability to escape the East Side's tenements on the infrequent work that Geremio gets as a bricklayer.

Told in flashbacks it begins with a quarrel in which the wife throws Geremio out of the house for having spent his birthday with an American girl, an old girl friend to whom he has turned in an effort to escape his misery. He had also broken with his old friends because as foreman on a job he has been working them hard under unsafe conditions. He is reunited to them all before the movie is over but he is killed on the job, a victim of speedup and broken safety regulations.

The script works hard, it would seem, to overcome the virtues inherent in the story and to deaden its point. A lower East Side street has been recreated for it but the story is anchored nowhere. When it should be specific and trenchant about the conflicts that arise, it is vague and lyrical: it is very de-

tailed about squalor pictorially and seldom lets the simplest action explain itself, but, to take one example, the boss-worker relationship which embitters the friendship of Geremio and the bricklayers is blanketed under dialogue calling it "this thing."

Or revealing moments for the theme have a way of disappearing and becoming something else: the intense emotional conflict by which the story becomes a flashback turns out to be caused by the hero's flirtation with another girl. Love is always rushing in when some other motive is at work. This manipulation of the story's elements finally have the effect of making the hero more the victim of an accident than of the system.

Having acted like a tourist among its characters—the tenements are too dirty, its Italians operatic—the movie has still its harsh death to relate, Geremio's drowning in a vat of cement. This scene is offensive because it is drawn out while the hero yells, "I cannot die this way. I was not meant to end my life like this," a point which every scene in the picture should have been made to yield. But even this is softened by a last scene in which his wife is paid compensation for his death; and though she remembers the word tenements, it is love, love, love again that has been violated and which is clearly articulated.

Burdened by a script of poesy, Sam Wanamaker and the rest of the cast are unable to appear authentic. Only Lea Padovani, seen here in Outcry, is at all successful. Dmytryk keeps his camera on the move but it can't get away from the script.

## Books:

## 100 Non-Royalty Radio Plays

By Robert Friedman

LOOKING OVER the roster of the writers represented in William Kozlenko's 100 Non-Royalty Radio Plays, one almost forgets the dreary parade of warmed-over Hollywood scripts

100 NON-ROYALTY RADIO PLAYS. Compiled by William Kozlenko. Greenberg: Publisher. New York. 683 pp. \$5.

which make up the larger part of the "drama" served up to the listening audience. For this anthology has taken the cream of such programs as the Columbia Workshop, and includes original radio scripts or adaptations of stories by writers like Arthur Miller, Norman Rosten, Arnold Manoff, Myra Page and Albert Maltz.

That is not to say that all the scripts in the anthology are of uniform caliber, and in his editor's preface, Mr. Kozlenko has

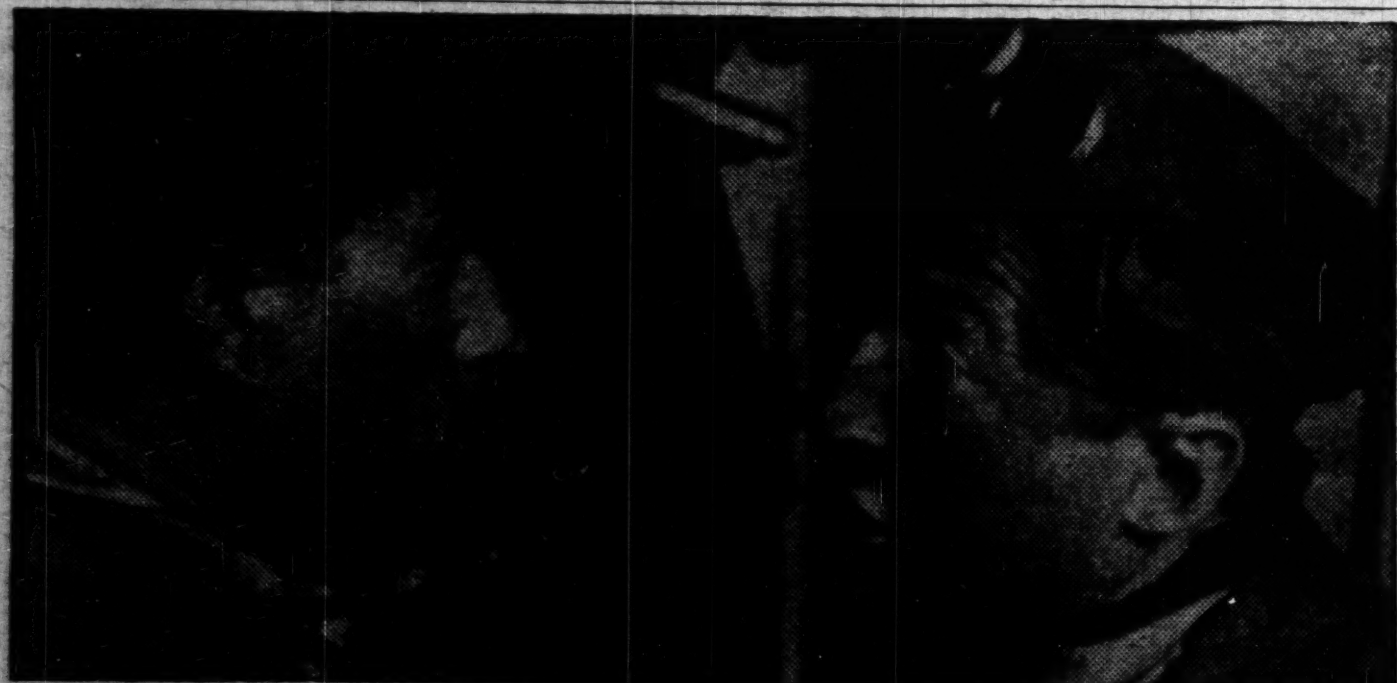
noted that he has endeavored to make the volume more representative of radio writing than selective.

However, anyone concerned with the development of broadcast drama, and particularly amateur group seeking scripts which can be used without royalty payments will find this volume useful.

Such scripts as Telegram From Heaven, Arnold Manoff's story of young people in the depression, which WHN aired, and Norman Rosten's Prometheus in Granada, poetic drama on the murder of the anti-fascist poet, Lorca, underscore by their somewhat solitary presence in this anthology the efficient manner in which the lords of radio have managed to keep the people's air free from mature, progressive material.

Anyone who in recent memory

has heard a decent dramatic presentation over the air probably greeted it with an incredulous: "How did that get by?" In his preface, Kozlenko rightly complains that "the men who hire writers and actors and directors have not learned how to make the best use of what they have." But he thoroughly begs the question when he answers, "Frankly, I don't know" to his own question: Who is to blame for radio's satisfaction with the "second-rate and the mediocre." It doesn't take long to figure out that as long as radio is big business and U. S. Steel, Standard Oil and DuPont are sponsors, the bulk of our radio listening will reflect either outright NAM philosophy or be innocuously non-controversial.



THE FIRST FILM financed and produced by a labor union to be shown commercially, 'Battle of the Rails,' has its American premiere at the Apollo Theatre Monday, Dec. 26. 'Battle of the Rails' tells the story of the resistance movement among the railroad men during the Fascist occupation of France. Charles Boyer does the commentary. Shown above is the French actor Redon (right) with an actual railroad fireman in the climactic scene of the movie.

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## HAD TO LEARN, SAYS HOLMAN

By Lester Rodney

There were no alibis from either the CCNY players or coach Nat Holman after defeat number one, even though the fantastically stupid two-minute rule could conceivably have hurt. But that wasn't what beat them. It was Oklahoma, the best team to show here from out of town yet. Oklahoma and inexperience, particularly "defensive inexperience in meeting a team which knows how to exploit a methodical inside screening attack and take advantage of lateness in switching.

When the dejected young Beavers left the court at the final buzzer, upset 67-63 in a thrilling game, Holman was quick to meet each and every one with an encouraging pat on the back and words of solace. He never expected to go undefeated, which doesn't happen in college basketball's intersectional schedules any more. "We got a very valuable lesson from Oklahoma," he said, "Too bad we have to pay the price for it, but we should digest this and be a sounder club."

In truth, considering that this was an all veteran Oklahoma team, favored in the strong Big Six, with a home and home split with Big Ten champs Illinois under their belt, a 6-11 giant controlling the backboards, that City's youngsters, knocked off their stride, making mistakes and nine points behind with ten minutes to go, still cut the margin down to two in a last gasp, it was hardly a calamity or disgrace. After all, the City sophomores didn't write the newspaper stories about them being high unbeatable.

Winning coach Bruce Drake, a happy man, said: "They have a coming ballclub. Those youngsters will be very good before this season's over." And the Oklahoma players to a man volunteered the information that with all the lapses of big time inexperience, CCNY was a much better team than Illinois.

In the defeat center Ed Roman moved a notch ahead, scoring 20 points, some on breath-taking hooks, and hustling all the way though outreached by big Freiburger underneath. Oklahoma, after slithering men through for layups off the screening posts, wreaked some havoc with a sudden fast break that was effective because three men could pour downcourt confident that Freiburger would get the rebound and feed it up. Then they played typical tight defensive ball with the lead. Roman's hook brought it to a two-point deficit with a minute and a half to go. Then the Sooners held the ball and converted the inevitable foul to make it three.

Next on the City program is California tomorrow night and it'll be interesting to see what kind of rebound there is in the ballclub.

ST. JOHNS remained undefeated, pouring it on for a 67-44 rout of Washington State after having a lot of trouble. Impressively, they won without regular Ray Tully, 6-4 starter who had an infected toe (he may be ready for San Francisco tomorrow). Al McGuire's magnificent rebounding and hustle again was the keynote. The hot handed scorer this time was McMahon, who poured in 27.

It's an interesting commentary on St. John's power that there have been four different high scorers for them in the Garden. Zawoluk, Al McGuire, Calabrese and now McMahon. San Francisco has a ballgame on its hands. So, by the way, has CCNY on Jan. 3. That'll be one guaranteed sellout.

## Court Notes

Michigan made the Big Ten look better and better by traveling South and beating strong North Carolina State 54-46, a real surprise. . . . Indiana, still unbeaten, beat Oregon State on the coast team's floor 65-60. . . . Iowa handed Notre Dame another one, 64-62. Kevin O'Shea doesn't seem to have the support this year. . . . Syracuse, a mighty power at home, crushed Princeton 80-84. Maybe they'll be good down here, too. They play CCNY later. . . . Cornell, rapidly becoming Ivy favorite, crushed Rutgers 74-46. . . . Manhattan straightened away, beating Connecticut 71-56. Byrnes played 10 minutes. . . . Duquesne, future LIU foe, took Loyola of LA 61-47. . . . Bradley, smarting from Purdue upset, took it out on Georgia Tech 84-60.

## LOUIS CAN STILL HIT, ANYHOW!

OAKLAND, Cal., Dec. 20.—Joe Louis may be serious about his current tour being an "exhibition," but last night's easy fifth-round kayo victory over young Al Hoosman of San Francisco again proved that he is still one of the best.

Louis and his managers billed the bout as a scheduled 10-round exhibition; the California State Athletic Commission claimed a law prohibited any fight in the state in which there was not a decision rendered. The exact status of the fight never was cleared—because Louis ended the squabble by scoring his knockout. The first time young Hoosman had ever lost on a knockout.

A crowd of 9,000 fans jammed the Oakland Auditorium, paying \$19,856.48 for the privilege of watching Louis in action. A throng of 500 to 1,000 fans was turned away at the door. Louis' next fight is Friday night in Salt Lake City, where he is slated to go two four-round bouts.

## Cards Cost 700 Gs

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 20 (UP).—Fred M. Saigh, Jr., president of the St. Louis Cardinals, testified today that he paid the late Robert E. Hannegan \$700,000 and an undisclosed amount of stock for his interest in the club.

## Kiner Tops in Slugging Pct.; Dodgers 1st Team, Reds Last

Pittsburgh fans clamored all through the 1949 season that their Ralph Kiner was the standout slugger in the National League and yesterday the official averages proved they were right.

Rapping out 361 total bases in 549 times at bat, the Pirate outfielder posted a slugging percentage of .658, tops in the circuit. He showed a 34-point margin over Stan Musial who collected 382 total bases in 612 tries for a .624 margin.

Third in slugging percentages, which are computed on the basis of total bases against total times at

## Knicks Roll on

Those flaming hot New York Knickerbockers went into the lair of the Western Division leaders, Anderson, Ind., Monday night and won 86-83. Gallatin had 17. Dick McGuire was wonderful as usual and also tossed in 12. The Knicks record is 18-7, trailing Syracuse in the Eastern Division but better than any team's in the other two

## L. A. SCRIBES ROAST BELL

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 20 (UP).—Sports writers here aimed their sharpest barbs at National Football League Commissioner Bert Bell for refusing to postpone Sunday's rain-soaked playoff game.

Writers in most of the five downtown dailies had their say about the Sunday tilt, in which the Philadelphia Eagles downed the Rams, 14 to 0, before a sparse 22,000 fans. A crowd of 70,000 to 80,000 had been expected if the weather had been dry.

Braven Dyer of the Times wrote: "When Bertie sat back there in his Philadelphia apartment and told the Ram and Eagle owners and players that they couldn't postpone their title game, he pulled one of the biggest bloomers of his career. The players lost a least a grand apiece."

Wrote Ned Cronin in the News: "The game was the biggest event of the year for the league. . . . Yet 'Ding Dong' (Bell) was not among those present. It would be comparable if Happy Chandler should decide to go fishing the week of the world series. Reeves and Clark had to resort to the long distance telephone to appeal to a guy who was sitting at home running a game 3,000 miles away in Los Angeles."

## Test for Kaplan

Georgie Kaplan, 6 foot, 3½ inch 19 year old Brooklyn heavyweight who has gone through nineteen professional fights without defeat, faces his first real test at the St. Nicholas Arena tonight when he clashes with Duilio Snagnolo.

Johnny Saxton, Harlem's former Golden Glove champion and undefeated in five pro bouts, takes on Adrian Morgart, of France, welterweight stablemate of Robert Villemain, in the one eight. Saxton is tagged another Ray Robinson and is an exceptional combination boxer-puncher.

## Baxes to Get Look

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 20 (UP).—Star third baseman Jim Baxes, 21, of the Pacific Coast League's pennant-winning Hollywood Stars has received orders to report to the Brooklyn Dodgers' spring training camp. It was understood that if he fails to make the grade with Brooklyn, he will return to Hollywood.

## on the scoreboard

by lester rodney

## Luncheon Chat, Starring Honey Russell

HERE WE ARE down at one corner of a long table at Leone's Restaurant eating and chatting before the formal part of the basketball writers' weekly eating-meeting. Couple of coaches, a publicity man, this writer comprise the cast. The talk is amiable, disjointed and inconsequential, but it's sports (even baseball crept in) so let's throw it at you in its more or less pure form.

That old devil two-minute rule runs through the chatter, so we'd better quickly explain that it's a very unpopular innovation doomed to extinction after this year, everyone hopes, which gives the leading team far too great an advantage by having it, in the last two minutes, shoot its fouls and then keep the ball and dare the trailing team to come close and try to get it again.

Now—  
"All the same," said Honey Russell with a smug grin, "We went into one game this year ahead five points at the two minutes and blew it."

"How did that happen?" asked Brooklyn College's Al Baggett, who came to Flatbush by way of Texas, and says he loves 'em both. "We fumbled it. They pressed and we fumbled it. But you ought to see my freshman team. They beat the varsity by 30 points every scrimmage. We wanna get some Garden dates next year."

Honey is an old pro of the Original Celtic days, was a fine player, coached the good Bob Davies prewar team at Seton Hall over in Jersey, then had a few unhappy years as a pro mentor in his native Boston, and now is back at Seton Hall dreaming of next year. He really rounded up a freshman team, too, including some crack New York stars, and Seton Hall's first Negro courtster.

"They fumbled," I put in, "but isn't it true that any team with reasonably good ballhandling going into the last two minutes ahead can't be caught?"

"Sure, sure," he said, "but you take a team with reasonably good ballhandling and they'll stay ahead in the last two minutes under any rules. Sure, if they can handle the ball. Trouble is, most college teams have, maybe, two good ballhandlers and the rest are stiff."

UP THE TABLE someone was talking baseball, so our Corner dug into the Giant-Brave deal. There were the usual differences of opinion, with most saying the bromidic "Kind of deal will help both clubs." Not for Mr. Russell of Boston!

"The Giants'll still be lousy," he said. "That Dark hasn't got a shortstop's arm. Never did. Now we got an outfield for the first time, with power and throwing—Gordon, Jethroe and Marshall."

Back to basketball, and interesting scores gleaned from the fine print. Someone mentioned Evansville beat Bowling Green and asked who was Evansville.

"Evansville, Indiana," boomed Baggett. "Say, listen. We booked a game there, that's my West Texas tall team back in '41. Little town, 12,000 maniacs jammed this place. I mean maniacs. We got out with a two-point victory and near-busted eardrums and were we happy. Don't surprise me to hear some good club got bumped off in that town."

That was your big team that lost to LIU in overtime  
"Yup," he nostalgicked. "Only two games lost all year. Claire (Bee) had some club that year. That Schechtman and Lobello and them . . ."

"You're telling me," said Russell. "That team killed my Seton Hall team in the Invitation. Killed 'em dead. We thought we were good."

"Same trip we played Evansville," went on Baggett. "We played Bradley in Peoria. Leading 'em 18-6 after seven minutes, then the whistles started. They called us 18 times for walking, just took the ball away from us every time we started to move and gave it to Bradley! . . . Yup, we lost two games that year."

BACK TO THE two-minute rule and began to conjecture on how many points a trailing team could come back in ordinary circumstances.

"Had one game with my Bostons," recalled Russell. "Wendell Gray scored three baskets in 10 seconds. That's right. He was fed for a layup, stayed right there in all court press, stole the pass out and laid it in, other team lost their bearings, he stole the next one and laid it in again. . . . Would you believe it, we lost it anyhow in double overtime after that."

"You know," mused Russell, "maybe the answer is to call a defensive foul in the last two minutes an automatic point, not even have to try to shoot it. In the old days we played defense. If a defensive player can't stop his opponent without fouling, give 'em a point."

"Ho, ho," roared Baggett at that one. "You can go play in Buffalo under that rule, not me. Imagine those Buffalo referees able to give a point to Canisius and Niagara any time they want to blow their whistles."

Russell grinned. "Alright, I take that rule back. Say, who saw Kentucky-St. Johns? How did the Kentucky team look?" I mentioned the mark of a definite coaching pattern in the way one of the newcomers drove in the way Beard used to; another moved from the corner like Jones, etc.

"You think that's bad?" asked Russell. "That's not bad. But take about four years to do that to New York kids. Can't do it here. They play different."

The meeting heard the visiting coast coaches, chewed the two-minute rule to bits; afterward Claire Bee of LIU came by with Barry of USC and Price of California, two old-timers, exchanging reminiscences of past games and trips. "Used to be more fun," Bee chuckled. "Seems like it's gotten too serious now. Why they even talk about firing coaches! Gotta watch your jobs nowadays!"